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1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
8th „	CALEDONIA	7558	VICTORIA	6522
15th „	ORIENTAL	5284		
22nd „	MACEDONIA	10512		
29th „	ARCADIA	6603		
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7558	BRITANNIA	6525
14th „	ARABIA	7903		
21st „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOOLTAN	9621
28th „	PERSIA	7951		
4th Apr.	MARMORA	10509		
11th „	EGYPT	7912		
18th „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9500
25th „	MACEDONIA	10512		
2nd May	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
9th „	CALEDONIA	7558		
16th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
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NERA	5,538	Schmitz	19th Mar. „
CALEDONIEN	4,130	Martin	16th Apr. „
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Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, on following days and hours, sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of the mortgagers Messrs. Foosa Jugga & Co. and on account and risk of the mortgager Rukkhmabai, daughter of Nursoo Elapa Redicamp and widow of Ashna Erapa, the following properties :—

THIS-DAY, FRIDAY, the 17th instant, at 4 p. m. (S. T.) on the premises.

Firstly.—All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwellinghouse standing, built thereon situate at Ninth Kamatipura Street outside the Fort in the Registration Sub-District and City of Bombay containing by admeasurement 43 square yards or thereabouts registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue, Under Old No. 4309, New No. 10859, Old Survey No. 3858, and New Survey No. 6726 and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under street No. 37 and E. Ward No. 1780 and bounded on the East by the house of Ramdo Fulmali, on the West by the house of Nulla Abu Rochity, on the North by the sweepers' passage and on the South by the said Ninth Kamatipura Street.

On the same day at 4-30 p. m. (ST.) on the premises.

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On the same day at 5 p.m. (S.T.) on the premises.

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Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

AUCTION SALE OF EMPTY DEALWOOD CASES OF MACHINERY.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction THIS DAY, FRIDAY the 17th Inst., at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), by order of the Agents of the Fazalbhai Mills, Ltd., and on account and at the risk of Borah Adamjee Noorbhoy of Ful Gully, in the compound of the same mill at DeLisle Road, Parel, a large lot of empty Dealwood cases of Machinery according to the Invoice.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale,

SALE AT 11 A.M. on SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY.

Under instructions from R. D. Setna, Esq., Acting Official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of Akbarally Abdulhosein, an insolvent, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction TO MORROW, SATURDAY, at 11 a.m. in Bajeepala Street, off Abdul Raman Street, the following consisting of tins of biscuits and confectionery, scent, colognewater, salad and castor oil, lozenges, peppermint, feeding bottles, violet powder, reams of papers, Burmah perfume, vinegar, tins of Rose picoe tea, states, iron safe, Mehta boxes, etc.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY, the 20th instant, at 2-30 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their Rooms a quantity of grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following:—

Furniture, such as sofas chairs, cupboards, almyrahs, dressing, washhand and writing tables, chests-of-drawers, Chubb's safe on stand.

1 Densmore typewriter in good order, one Vowel washing machine, one champion butter churn, one large and small Alpha Laval separators and stands, one butter worker complete with stand, one cheese press on stand, one butter scoop.

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AT 3-30 P.M.

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N. M. C. No. 47/68—381 Chests of Green Tea.

The above will be sold in lots to suit purchasers. A deposit of 25 p.c. will be required at the time of Sale and the balance to be paid and the chests taken delivery of within 15 days from the day of Sale.

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On TUESDAY, the 28th instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Bowen House, 1st Floor, Apollo Bunder, (opposite the Bowen Church), the valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture, such as set of dining table and chairs, mirrored sideboard, dinner waggon, marble topped tables and teapoys, drawingroom suit of sofas and chairs lined velvet, cabinets, easy slight chairs, bedsteads, single and double mirrored door almiras, cloth presses, chest of drawers, marble topped dressing and washhand tables, also open carved blackwood furniture such as sofas, chairs, easy chairs, flower-stands, cornerwhatnots, screen, square piano, large size musical box, aviary with brids, steamship model in case, repeating rifle, windproof table lamps, rich table ornaments, carpets, etc., etc., the property of R. P. Carreras, Esq., proceeded home.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 3 days before the sale.

CRAWFORD & Co.

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BONA-FIDE SALE.

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The pieces which are from 4 to 15 yards in length will be sold singly to suit the requirements of the purchasers.

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AUCTION SALE OF WASTE.

On MONDAY the 20th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co. will sell by Public Auction by order and in the godown of Messrs. Jagshibhai Visram and Co., at Bhimpura, Doongree Street, and at the risk of Messrs. Khetsydas Hurmookhral and Co,

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The Hansa Line steamer Gutenfels, 3,551 tons Captain P Diedirehsen, arrived in harbour on the 15th instant from Karachi with a general cargo 2 horses and 2 syces.

The Hansa Line steamer Kybfels, 3,179 tons Captain B Von Thulen, will sail to-day for Hamburg, London &c.; with a general cargo.

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Shah Nasir	2565	Grant		Shah N N Co
Scarthee	2536	Clergy		W & A G & Co
Terrier	1008	Milsen		F F Campbell & Co
Toyle	2690	Wasc		K Nixon & Co
Waroonga	1609	Bamber		M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—JAN. 16.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
A Clan Macdonald	3113	Hayward	C'gong	20-1	F Muir & Co
C&R Methley Hall	2235	Nuttal	N F		K Nixon & Co
D & E Buceros	7595	Hutchins	Philadelphia	22-1	R A Willis
G Moshtari	1110	Gore	Mauritius	17-1	B & P S N Co
L Reichstag	2089	Thle	Z'bar	24-1	A Strandes
N Grantley Hall	2586	Lewis	Newport	18-1	K Nixon & Co
P Singapore	2735	Taylor	Antwerp	25-1	W & A G & Co
M Mozaffari	1387	Molony	R S Ports	22-1	B & P S N Co
Q Umsinga	1895	Muller	Hull	25-1	W & A G & Co
Offside O					
D&E Caledonia	3599	Tocqiet	London	8-2	P & O Co
H W P D					
Mahanadi	547	Ahmed	Mangalore	17-1	Bo S N Co
Satrunji	547	Hoosein	G Ports	16-1	Bo S N Co
H W V D					
Lhasa	940	Rothwell	K'chi	17-1	M M & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Britannia	1969	Garrick	L'pool	21-1	G & A G & Co
2 Vorwaerts	3727	Bednarth	Kobe	20-1	A L S N Co
3 Upada	3382	Steware	N F		M M & Co
4 Levanzo	2182	Belsito	Shanghai	17-1	Horio & R S N Co
5 Kybfels	4996	Von Thul'en	H'burg	17-1	Glade & Co
7 Yeboshi Maru	2992	Kon	Kobe	19-1	H Y Kaisha
7 Gutenfels	3551	Dildrichen	Hamburg	25-1	Glade & Co
8 Bohemia	2305	Dabarich	Trieste	16-1	A L S N Co
9 Luwenburg	2959	Socken	K'chi	18-1	Glade & Co
10 & 11 Delta	4779	Daniel	Shanghai	22-1	P & O Co
12 Oceana	3507	Hayward	London	18-1	P & O Co
15 Riojun Maru	2979	Iriswa	Kobe	29-1	N Y Kaisha
16 Zoroaster	2375	Ewan	L'pool	18-1	K Nixon & Co

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
15	Gutenfels s	Diedirehsen	Karachi, Jan 13
	Vorwaerts s	Bednarz	Trieste, Dec 27
16	Obra s	Cammack	Calcutta, Jan 1
	Colaba s	Robertson	Brisbane, Nov 29

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
16	Bohemia s	Dabewich	Trieste, &c
	Kola s	Cole	Gulf, &c

The steamer Kybfels, Thulen, for Hamburg obtained her port-clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—

Steamer Bardistan, for Antwerp, &c.
" Gutenfels, for Hamburg, &c.
" Reichstag, for Zanzibar, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	From
7	Begonia	London
9	Clan Caisholm	Coast
10	Teesta	Straits
10	Uhenfels	Antwerp
12	Maharaja	Rangoon

DAILY EXPORTS.—JAN. 16.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Zoroaster s—100 bales hemp, Ebjee Oomersey; 2 bales silk tape, K Nixon and Co.

Britannia s—30 bales wool, J Kara; 131 bales wool, M J Joomabhoy and Co; 4 bales cotton, G Tejpal and Co; 73 cwts old, brass, 68 cwts old ruber, M Pestonji; 16 bales wool, N Goculdas; 100 bales hemp, H Govindji; 65 bales wool, M Batansee; 150 cwts cottonseed, N Peerbhoy; 65 bales wool, W and A Graham and Co; 250 bales wool. B Hurbham; 18 bales twist, B Brady and Co; 50 bales cotton waste, J C Tadiwalla.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Britannia s—5 bales twist K Visram and Co; 25 bales twist Killick Nixon and Co; 33 bales twist, 149 bales twist B Brady and Co.

FOR GLASGOW.

Britannia s—1,040 cwts, myrabollams Arjoon Khimjee,

FOR LONDON.

Kybfels s—1,345 cwts marabollams, G Madhowjee and Co; 56 bales hemp, G Radhakissondas.

Oceana s—2 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co; 10 cwts beeswax, M N Kalian; 122 bales skins W and A Graham and Co.

FOR HULL.

Singapore s—241 cwts cottonseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 3,055 cwts myrabollams, W Bechar, 3,120 cwts myrabollams, W Bechar.

Umsinga s—2,000 cwts castorseed, and 2,000 cwts cottonseed. Louis Dreyfus and Co; 2,000 cwts castonseed, E. D. Sassoon and Co, 3,055 cwts myrabollams, 4,000 cwts cottonseed, W Bechar.

FOR ANTWERP.

Singapore s—1,560 cwts myrabollams W Bechar. 25 baleshemp E Tajbhoy and Co; 50 bales twist S Sinid and Co; 55 bales twist K Nixon and Co; 330 bales cotton, G Tajpal and Co; 110 bales cotton The Bombay Co; 9 bales cotton A Moritz and Co.

Zoroaster s—960 cwts gingellyseed Worman and Co; 4 bales twist, H M Metha and Co; 100 bales cotton, Prier de Soane and Co.

FOR HAMBUDG.

Kybfels s—1,000 cwts myrabollams, G Madhowjee and Co.

Lowenbury s—4,001 cwts bonemeal, Croft Mody and Co; 90 bales cotton fly, W Wolf and Sons. 1,069 cwts bonesenews, R Kaderbhoy.

FOR LEITH.

Bardistan s—4,000 cwts mussoor, and 4,000 cwts cottonseed, Relli Bros.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Britannia s—4,000 cwts linseed. Volkart Bros; 600 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 50 bales hemp, H Govindji.

FOR BARCELONA.

Britannia s—30 bales hemp, H Govindji.

FOR PHILADELPHIA.

Britannia s—118 casks salted skins, A Allibux,

FOR HONGKONG,

Levanzo s—10 bales cotton, Glazebrook Tejpal and Co.

Delta s—48 cases opium, P and O Co.

FOR KOBE.

Delta s—100 bales cotton, S Framji and Co; 202 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 2,000 bales cotton, M B Kaisha.

Yeboshi Maru s—200 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co,

Vorwaerts s—100 bales cotton, Dhunjeboy B Petit and Co; 200 bales cotton, S Framji and Co; 300 bales cotton, Dinshaw D Currance and Co; 200 bales cotton, Tata Sons and Co: 300 bales cotton, K G Nuldas and Co; 400 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Vorwaerts s—200 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 200 bales cotton, Killick Nixon and Co; 408 cwt blood manure, Jeena and Co.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

London, *January* 15.] [Bombay, *January* 16.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
3¾ per cent. Consols ...	83 15/16	1/16	
3 do. Rentes...	95 3/4	1/4	
3½ do. Sterling Loan ...	99 1/2	un chgd	
3½ do. Govt. Securities ...	63 9/16	1/19	
*Bar Silver in London ...	25 11/16		1/16
Do. do. 2 months' hence	25 7/8		1/16
Do. in New York ...	55 5/8		1/4
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25·18		1
Do. do. do. Berlin.	20·50½		1/4
Do. do. do. New York.	4·85 5/8	1/8	
Discount Bank of England Rate.	6	since 2 inst	
Do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight	4 1/2	un chgd	
Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	4 5/8	un chgd	
3 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5 1/4	un chgd	
Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills	5 1/4	un chgd	
Interest Day-to-day Loans ...	3 5/8		3/8
Do. 7-day Market Loans	4 1/4	un chgd	

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) 1s. 3 25/32d. unchanged.

*Closing tone of silver—Quiet but steady.

Council Bills:—

At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for Rs. 60,00,000.

Rs. 12,80,000 were allotted to Calcutta.
" 12,00,000 were allotted to Bombay.
" 1,90,000 were allotted to Madras.

Rs. 26,70,000 at 1s. 3 29/32d.

Average rate of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay 15·91.

TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS:—

Rs. 28,50,000 were allotted to Calcutta.
Rs. 3,00,000 were allotted to Bombay.
Rs. 1,80,000 were allotted to Madras.

Rs. 33,30,000 at 1s. 3 15/16d.

Average rate of allotment Calcutta and Bombay 15·94

Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sales ... ... Rs. 67,00,000

Amount to be allotted next week ... Rs. 75,00,000

COTTON.

Liverpool:—

Spots	Limited business.
Futures	Quiet.
East Indian	do.
Manchester	Quiet but Steady.
Total Sales	5,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export	500
Imports	37,000
Mid-Americans	6·29+05
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	9 9/16 unchgd

Future Delivery Prices:—

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June.
5·82	5·83	5·83	5·83	5·83
+03	+03	+02	+02	+02

June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.
5·82	5·78	5·68	5·58
+02	+02	+02	+01

New York:—

Receipts at U. S. Ports	31,000	bales.
Do. do. last year	48,000	"
Exports to Great Britain	31,000	"
Do. to Continent	5,000	"

Spot Cotton—11·65+20

Futures—Month of Mar. 11·22+24
Do. do. May 11·27+23
Declined early owing to weak cables and advanced later through bull spport and short covering.

New Orleans:—

Spot Cotton—11 13/16+1/16
Futures—Month of March 11·46+19
Do. do. May 11·46+19
Closing Tone of Futures,—Firm.

WHEAT.

White Choice Karachi, C. I. F.—38 June-July—London—Buyers—Canal.

Red Karachi F. A. Q., C. I. F.—Nominal

Tone of Wheat—Dull.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed:—

Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs. 85o/o ex-ship 56—Apl.-May—Antwerp—Sellers—Canal.

Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs., 85°/o ex-ship Nominal,

Tone of Rapeseed—Steady.

Linseed:—

Tone of Linseed—Dull.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee:—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality), 6 3/16 unchgd

Sugar:—

German granulated Sugar, double bags, C. and F. India, 12 9

Months of Shipment—May-August.—Sellers.

Tone of Sugar—Quiet.

Rubber:—

Para Rubber 3s. 3d. Value.

Beef and Mutton Tallow:—

Finest Australian Beef Tallow	33s. 9d.
" " Mutton Tallow	34s. 6d.
General tone of Tallow Auction	Dull.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Vessel.	Importer.
3 Bundles Rs	Rs 6,000	Muscat	Madura	Comptoir National
2 Bundles Rs	4,000	Bahrein	Madura.	M Mackenzie & Co
1 Bundle Rs	1,800	Linga		
1 Bundle Rs	1,600	Muscat		
2 Bundles Rs	4,000	Busreh		
1 Bundle Sov	6,225	Aden	Oriental	H A G Hoosein
Rupees	450			
7 Packages Sov	59,325	Jeddah	Oriental	Sundry Importers
Gold Coins	28,105			
Rupees	607			
2 Bundles Rs	5,000	Muscat	Nerbudda	G H Methawani
4 Bundles Sov.	2,220	Muscat.	Madura	L Khimji
Rupees	7,995			
10 Packages Rs.	21,500	Linga	Madura.	Sundry Importers
19 Packages Rs.	40,700	Koweit		
14 Packages Rs.	30,100	Debai		
3 Packages Sov.	4,152	Busreh.	Madura	Sundry Importers
Gold Coins	7,441			
Rupees	4,265			

BOMBAY MARKETS.

Thursday Evening.] [16th January 1908.

FINANCIAL.

Money:—

The Bank of Bengal to-day raised their rate by one per cent., thus making the rate 9 per cent. per annum. The Bank of Bombay is unchanged at 8 per cent.

Exchange:—

The market opened steady at 1s. 3 29/32d. T. T. and 1s. 3 15/16d. to 31/32d. for demand Bank bills, the Credit rate being general at 1s. 4 7/32d. 3 months' sight. Several Banks were taking March bills at 1s. 4 3/16d. 3 months' sight but for any delivery the supply is very trifling. At the close it was possible to place Credits at 1s. 4 3/16d. for near delivery. In the morning one Bank would sell wire at 1s. 3 15/16d. but the rate was soon withdrawn, but 1s. 3 31/32d. on demand was practicable up to the close. Far Eastern rates are quiet.

We quote:—

T. T. on London ...	1s. 3 29/32d.
Demand Draft ...	1s. 3 15/16d. to 31/32d.
Credits—3 months' sight ...	1s. 4 7/32d.
Do. 6 months sight ...	1s. 4 13/32d.
Do. 3 months' sight—Francs	169 3/4
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks.	139
Hongkong—30 days' sight ...	139 3/4
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	150 3/4
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	183

Government Paper:—

The market opened steady at 95⅞ ready and 95⅞ for the settlement. There were moderate buyers in the morning and by about midday business was done up to 96. Later on rates eased a little, the market closing quiet as under. Calcutta market is advised as 95 9/16 ready and 95 7/8 for delivery forward in a month. Considering that the Bank of Bengal rate has been raised to 9 per cent. the market remains remarkably steady.

We quote:—

Cash	Rs. 95·13
1st Settlement...	" 95·15

Bullion:—

Bar silver in London on Wednesday fell 1-16 to 25 11-16 ready and 25 7-8 for delivery forward in two months. New York was 1-4 lower at 55 5-8. Locally the market has been firm. At opening ready bars were quoted at 65 3-4 ex-duty but improved to 66 5-16 before the close. Forward quotations are given below. Bar gold is slightly higher.

We quote:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold ...	24	6	0
Australian Bar Gold ...	24	5	0
Bombay Bar Gold ...	24	4	0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15	3	0
English Dragon Sovereigns ...	15	2	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready ...	66	5	0
Ditto 1st Settlement ...	63	5	0
Ditto 2nd Settlement ...	66	6	0

COTTON.

Market Report:—

The advance price in America has caused further steadiness in our market, and rates are quoted fully Rs. 2 higher all round, but the advance has brought no perceptible improvement in the demand. There is perhaps more doing in settlements for this month. Deliveries against contracts are progressing quietly. The market closes steady as under.

For ready cotton there was rather more enquiry by shippers, and a fair business was done at Colaba. Prices are steadier.

QUOTATIONS:—	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach ...	273	March
Good M. G. Broach ...	266 1/2	"
Fine M. G. Nagpur Kampti ...	232	Jan.
Fine M. G. Damangaum Pulgaon	224	"
Fine M. G. Khangaum Akola ...	219	"
Fine M. G. Amraoti ...	219	"
Fine M. G. Muttia ...	205	"
F. G. M. G. Khandeish ...	200	"
Fine M. G. Khandeish ...	203	"
Fine M. G. Bengals ...	195	"
Fine. M. G. Bengals ...	200	March
F. G. M. G. Bengals ...	189	Jan.
Good Westerns ...	240	Apl.-May
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar ...	253	"

Liverpool Opener:—

Opening Tone...	Firm
Estimated Sales	8,000 bales.
Total Imports	22,000 "

Future Delivery Prices:—

J.-F.	F.-M.	M.-A.	A.-M	M.-J.
5·94	5·95	5·95	5·95	5·95
+·12	+·12	+·12	+·12	+·12

J.-J.	J.-A.	A.-S.	S.-O.
5·94	5·90	5·80	5·70
+·12	+·12	+·12	+·12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed:—

The market is quiet but steady with a small business passing. We quote:—

Ready	Rs. 7 12 0	B. T.
Apl.-May	" 8 8 0	R. T.

Rapeseed:—

The market is rather easier with business doing at about the following quotations:—

Brown Cawnpore, Apl.-May ...	Rs. 9 5 0 R.T.
Yellow Guzerat	" 9 11 0

Gingellyseed:—

The market is easier, with little enquiry. We quote:—

Bold White, 85 p.c.	Rs. 60 0 0
" " 75 p.c.	" 59 0 0
Black Kutni	" 54 0 0
White Havre...	" 60 0 0
Yellow Hinganghat	" 62 0 0

Poppyseed:—

Rs. 10 15 0 Apl.-May R. T.

Tone—Quiet.

Castorseed:—

Ready Rs. 34 0 0 Apl.-May. Rs. 35 0 0

Tone—Quiet.

Cottonseed:—

Rs. 25 0 0

Tone—Steady.

Mowraseed:—

Rs. 5 4 0

Tone—Steady.

Groundnuts—

Rs. 45 0 0 Jan.-Feb.

Tone—Quiet.

Wheat:—

White Delhi, Apl.-May ... Rs. 6 1 0

Tone—Quiet.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks:—	
Bombay	1,345
India	68
Indian Specie Bank	51
Mills:—	
David	382½
Maneckji Petit	3,170
Presses:—	
New Mofussil	530
Miscellaneous:—	
Bombay Steam Nav. ordinary...	250
Colaba Land and Mill... ...	1,000
Bamankua Manganese ...	8½
RAIKWAYS:—	
Amritsar-Patti...	109
Tapti Valley	431

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m yesterday:—

Cotton	12,697	bales
Wheat	3,127	cwts
Linseed	287	"
Rapeseed	46	"
Gingellyseed	1,926	"
Poppyseed	21	"
Groundnuts	384	"
Castorseed	2,198	"
Rice	2,187	"
Myrabollams	5,852	"
Cottonseed	6,375	"
Mowraseed	142	"
Gram	654	"
Joowar	3,431	"
Maize	nil.	"

KARACHI FREIGHTS.

(From our Correspondent.)

Karachi, January 16.

There is no change to advise. Good rains are reported to have fallen generally throughout the Punjab and the United Provinces which should prove most beneficial to the wheat area sown and result is good yields. We do not, however, think freights will be benefited, as the total yield is not likely to be much in excess of what is required for local consumption.

The Ellerman Line "City of Glasgow" is ready for Marseilles with one hundred and fifty tons at nine shillings for March. Marseilles-Liverpool one thousand tons at ten shillings for April.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

HAMILTON—January 8, at Bareilly, the wife of B. M. C. Hamilton, United Provinces Police, of a daughter.

DEATH.

WATERS—January 7, at Agra, Captain E. E. N. Waters, R. A. aged 36.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 22m. High water, 10-48m. 11-49a. Low water, 5-8m., 4-40a.

P. and O. steamer "Egypt," with English mails of 3rd instant, due to arrive at 9 a.m.

Indian Guarantee and Suretyship Association, annual meeting, Oriental Buildings, 1-30 p.m.

Gaiety Theatre, Bandmann's Company, 9-30 p.m.

Phases of the Moon.—Jan. 18th, Full Moon, 7h. 6-9m. p.m.; Jan. 26th, Last Quarter, 8h. 31-3m. p.m.; Jan. 4th, in Perigee, 6h. a.m.; Jan. 19th, in Apogee, 7h. p.m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Saturday, January 18.—Bombay Extra Races. Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races. B. V. A. annual inspection by the Inspector General of Volunteers, Middle Ground, Fort. Meeting of Bombay Medical Union *re* Plague Inoculation, Presidency Association Rooms, 6 p.m. Gaiety Theatre, Mr. Bandmann's Company, 9-30 p.m. Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 23m. High water, 11-23m., Low water, 5-42m. 5-13a.

Sunday, January 19.—2nd Sunday after Epiphany, Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 24m. High water, 0-17m, 11-55a. Low water, 6-15m., 5-45a.

Monday, January 20—Gaiety Theatre, Mr. Bandmann's Company. Tavoy Exploration Syndicate. The Scarlet Troubadours, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 24m. High water, 0-42m. 0-26a, Low water, 6-47m., 6-16a.

Tuesday, January 21.—Gaiety Theatre, Mr. Bandmann's Company. The Scarlet Troubadours, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 25m. High water, 1-6m., 0-58a. Low water, 7-18m., 6-46a.

Wednesday, January 22.—Municipal Standing Committee, 4-9 p.m. Bombay-Burmah Trading Corporation, Messrs. Wallace and Co.'s office, 4 p.m. Gaiety Theatre, Mr. Bandmann's Company, 9-30 p.m. The Scarlet Troubadours, Town Hall, 9-30 p.m. Sun rises, 7h. 15m. Sun sets, 6h. 25m. High water, 1-31m., 1-32a. Low water, 7-48m., 7-16a.

Hindu Fair.—The annual Hindu Fair of Prabha Devi will be held on the Prabha Devi road on Saturday and Sunday.

Postal Notice.—Mails for Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, China, Japan and Australia per s. s. "Delta" will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p. m. on Tuesday the 21st January.

Tramcar Accident.—While one Salloo Bapu was travelling in an electric tramcar he dropped his towel on the road near Hunuman Lane, and jumped out after it with the result that both his legs got under the car and were crushed. He is now under treatment in the G. T. Hospital.

Mahim Dispensary.—Statement showing the number of patients who attended the J. E. Wadia Charitable Dispensary, Mahim, during the month of December:—Attendance, 1,878, averaging 60·5; chief prevailing diseases, Malaria Fevers, Round Worm, Bronchitis and Indigestion.

Fort Gratuitous Dispensary.—The total number of patients treated here during the month of December was 1,788, the daily average being 57·6. The total new admissions was 795, i.e. Parsis 392, Hindus 308, others 95. The number of children vaccinated was 99.

The Proposed Opening of a Liquor shop at Cavel Street.—With reference to the protest made by the Bombay Temperance Council against the proposed opening of a Refreshment Room for the retail sale of foreign liquors at Cavel Street, Kalbadevi, the Council have been informed by the Excise Collector that the desired permission has not been granted.

Fatal burns.—Mr. G. F. Chalk, Coroner of Bombay, has held an inquest touching the death of a Hindu labourer named Rama Bhikoo, (25). The deceased was working as a coal-boy in the Engine Shed of the G. I. P. Railway at Parel, and on Tuesday night while he was carrying some live coals on a shovel he accidentally fell into a pit, the live coals falling on him. He was seriously burnt and removed to the G. T. Hospital, where he however succumbed. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

Mr. C. E. Housden, Sanitary Engineer, Burma, is permanently transferred to Eastern Bengal and Assam in the same capacity.

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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

HIGH COURT.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russell presided at a sitting of the Court yesterday.

RE PALONJI CURSETJI.

Mr. Ardasir Kapadia, for the insolvent, applied for and was granted two months' extension of the interim order.

RE MIYA SAHEB ABDULLA SHARAFALI.

Mr. Invariarity and Mr. Manker, on behalf of two petitioning creditors, moved for the adjudication order against the above named trader. His lordship granted an adjudication order in reference to both petitions.

RE CHARLES HENRY CONNELL.

Mr. Weldon, for the insolvent, applied for an adjournment of a hearing of this matter. Mr. Rustom Wadia opposed the application on behalf of a creditor. His lordship declined to entertain the application.

RE KRISHNAJI DOWLAT.

Mr. Motiwalla, for the insolvent, applied for and was granted an extension of the interim order which expired that day.

RE LUKHMIDAS MOTI.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for an interim order, stating that his client was now in jail and had to attend the Lalpur Court, and that, if he was not released, the surety would have to suffer.

Mr. Rustom Wadia, for a creditor, opposed the application, remarking that the insolvent had fraudulently transferred his property, and this he had practically admitted having done.

His lordship enquired if Mr. Manker was willing to give security for his client's attendance in this Court.

Mr. Manker, having consulted his client, said he was willing to give security.

His lordship granted the insolvent an interim order on his furnishing security for Rs. 9,000 to the satisfaction of Mr. Lane, Clerk of the Court, on Monday next.

RE NARAYEN RAGHUNATH.

The insolvent's name was called out for the dismissal of his petition. Mr. Bhandarkar, who then appeared for him, applied for a postponement of the matter for a fortnight. His lordship granted the application.

RE NOWROJI PALLONJI CONTRACTOR.

Mr. Motiwalla, for the insolvent, applied for and was granted leave to serve notices to the creditors.

RE KARSANDAS JAIRAM AND OTHERS.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvents, applied for a month's extension of the interim order, saying that this was the fifth extension; but as the principal partner of the firm had tried to settle with the creditors, there would be no need for them to apply for a further extension. His lordship granted one month's extension. His Lordship granted one month's extension.

DISCHARGES.

The following insolvents received their discharges:—Buldeo Khushal Sha, Mahomedali Alibhoy Dawoodi Borah, Charles Arthur Beresford Gray, Vithaldas Ramji Thakur, Laldas Karsanda Sha, Temulji Rustomji Contractor, and Jusub Abdulla Memon.

A DISHONEST MUNICIPAL SECRETARY.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon. Mr. Justice Knight have yesterday disposed of a Notice issued against Chintopant Bhairava, Secretary of the Gadad-Betigeri Municipality, to show cause why the sentence of a fine of Rs. 200 with the alternative of two months' rigorous imprisonment passed upon him by Mr. N. G. Shasharbudhe, First Class Magistrate, should not be enhanced. Accused had been convicted of receiving Rs. 25 as a bribe from Rudraya Tataya a Lingaet clerk, on the 15th March last, for inducing the General Committee of the Municipality not to withdraw the permission to sink a well in front of his house. His defence was that complainant came to his house after eight o'clock at night and left the money on a bench, saying he would return in a few minutes, but, as he did not come back and as it was already his supper time, he handed over the money for custody to his son.

The story for the complainant was that the accused threatened to have the permission cancelled unless Rs. 50 were paid him. Complainant consulted on this point the Assistant Superintendent of Police. Complainant brought down the amount of the proposed bribe to Rs. 25 and handed over the money to the accused. Soon after, he got a search-warrant and had the house searched the same night in the presence of a "punch," and the Rs. 25 were recovered including six rupees which had been marked for identification in pursuance of advice given by the Assistant Police Superintendent.

Bearing the accused's age in mind, and taking into consideration the fact of the appointment he held, the Magistrate, on the 19th August, fined him Rs. 200 or, in the event of non-payment of fine, sentenced him to two months' rigorous imprisonment. An appeal was preferred from this conviction to Mr. T. D. Fry, Sessions Judge of Dharwar, who dismissed it on the 26th October. Then Mr. C. Hudson, District Magistrate of Dharwar, at this stage intervened. He submitted to their Lordships of the High Court that Gadag-Betigeri was an important place, that accused was rather a strong-looking man, that the offence was serious and there were no extenuating circumstances. He therefore urged upon the Judges the advisability of adding a sentence of imprisonment to that of the fine.

Notice was issued upon the accused by order of their Lordships to show cause why the sentence should not be enhanced by way of imprisonment or otherwise. The Hon. Mr. Daji A. Khare, pleader, appeared for the accused; he asked the permission of the Court to allow him to go into the evidence and discuss it with the object of satisfying the Court that his client had been wrongly convicted.

The Appeal Court Judges held that they could not grant such permission, which would amount to the upsetting of a judicial practice invariably followed in the Court for over twenty-five years and consistently adhered to. The rule with the Court in cases of proposed enhancement of punishment was to accept the conviction as conclusive, and it should be followed in the present case also. It had, however, been open to the accused to apply for a revision of the conviction but he failed to avail himself of this remedy. In a proceeding where the sole question was whether a sentence passed by the Lower Court was adequate or not, accused could not be permitted to question the conviction. In addition to the fine of Rs. 200, which sentence was to remain, the accused's punishment was enhanced by an additional two month's rigorous imprisonment.

The total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending Janury 14 was 708, giving a death-rate of 35·57 per annum per thousand as against 33·39 the corresponding period of last year, and 48·92 the average over the past five years. Of the total number, 68 died from fevers; 9, plague; 4, small-pox; 4, measles; 5, leprosy; 43, phthisis; 36, diseases of the nervous system; 195, affections of the respiratory organs; 51, diarrhœa; 24, dysentery; 39, still-born; 102, old-age and debility; 15, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 21; Brahmin, 19; Lingaet, 5; Bhattia, 5; Hindu of other castes, 319; Hindu low caste, 71; Musalman, 166; Parsee, 25; Jew, 5; Native Christian, 23; Eurasian, 3; European, 6; Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 430 as against 406 the corresponding period of last year, and 384 the average over the past five years.

LIQUOR SHOPS MANAGED ON COMMISSION.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Davar yesterday heard a suit brought by Perozsha Pestonji Bharucha against Bai Aimai, widow of Shapurji Pestonji Chimorewalla, and Bomonsha Shapurji Chimorewalla, the administratrix and administrator respectively of the estate of Shapurji Pestonji Chimorewalla, deceased, in which the plaintiff asked that the defendants may be ordered to pay to him the sum of Rs. 3,961-13-3, less Rs. 668-7-0 due by plaintiff to the estate of the deceased; that defendants be ordered to pay to plaintiff the sum of Rs. 9,265-12-0; and also a further sum of Rs. 25,312 or some other sum as may be found due to him on account of liquor shops worked on commission, etc. Mr. Raikes and Mr. Padshah, instructed by Messrs. Ardasir, Hormusji Dinshaw and Company, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Lowndes and Mr. Bahadurji, instructed by Mr. K. D. Shroff, appeared for the defendants.

The plaintiff stated that after the death of Shapurji Pestonji Chimorewalla, a family arrangement was arrived at between the plaintiff, the defendants and Bachubai, Shapurji's daughter, on the 31st July 1904, whereby the shares of the heirs of Shapurji were determined and agreed upon, but the agreement was expressly made without prejudice to the rights of the plaintiff against the estate as a creditor thereof. The defendants were allowed to take out letters of administration to the estate of Shapurji, and they had since been in possession thereof. Rupabai, daughter of Shapurji, was married to plaintiff in 1875, and the presents made to her at the marriage remained with Shapurji. They amounted in value to Rs. 3,961-13-3; and the plaintiff claimed the amount as the heir of Rupabai. He also claimed a share in the Dehnu and Umergaum Company a firm which worked certain Abkari farms in various parts of the Presidency, and in which Shapurji had taken plaintiff as a sub-partner, which amounted in value to Rs. 9,265-12-0. Plaintiff from time to time obtained from Messrs. M. P. Vakil and Co., liquor farmers, the management on commission of certain liquor-shops within their farms, in respect of which plaintiff's share came to Rs. 25,312 up to 31st July 1904; and this amount was also due to him from Shapurji's estate.

The defendants, in their written statement, denied the claims made by the plaintiff in respect of Rupabai's wedding presents, and said nothing was due by the estate to plaintiff. The plaintiff's share in the Abkari contracts in Dehnu and Umergaum amounted. to Rs. 3,124-5-3, and this the defendants had appropriated in part satisfaction of the large amounts due by plaintiff to the estate. Defendants also denied that anything was due to plaintiff in respect of the liquor shops referred to. On the contrary, on 31st August, 1904, there was due by plaintiff to the estate a sum of Rs. 35,928-14-4 in respect of the management of the liquor shops, etc.

The details of the matter were proceeded with.

TRANSACTION IN CIGARETTES.

Bills of Exchange.

The Hon'ble Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor disposed of a suit instituted by the original plaintiff and appellant, Ardeshir Sorabsha Moos, against Kushaldas Gokuldas, original defendant and respondent. Mr. Raikes with Mr. K. N. Koyaji, appeared for the appellant, and Mr. Strangman with Messrs. Hiralal and Co., represented the respondents. Plaintiff alleged that he and the defendant agreed as partners to send for cigarettes from England for sale, that the cigarettes were to be of the samples known as "Old Gold" and "Pin head," the parties being equal sharers in profit and loss. Cases of cigarettes that arrived from England did not agree with the sample. Plaintiff further alleged that he had often informed the defendant that the cigarettes were bad and that they could not be sold, but that defendant, who was in possession of the cases, had sold some of them. Plaintiff had already lent Rs. 2,400 to the partnership in suit. He therefore applied to the Court to take an account from the defendant of the partnership property and to dissolve the partnership. Defendant contended that plaintiff's claim was false, that he was not a partner of the plaintiff in the trade of cigarettes, that he had consented, as a friend, to help the plaintiff in selling the cigarettes that arrived from England, that he sent for the goods as an agent of Messrs Francis, Times and Co., that the cigarettes were in accordance with the sample, that he gave accounts to the plaintiff for the cigarettes sold through him, that the sum of Rs. 2,400 was sent by the plaintiff to him to pay the money due to Banks for drafts for the cigarettes, that he was in possession of 11,500 cigarettes which were damaged or spoiled owing to the fault of the plaintiff. The original suit was decided by the Subordinate Judge of Ahmedahad who dismissed it with costs. In appeal, the District Judge dismissed the suit on the ground that the defendant was suing as agent for the London firm of Messrs Francis Times and Co., without disclosing his principals, so that the suit was defective in form; that the suit was not competent as the bills had never been dishonoured and protested. Against this decree an appeal was admitted in the High Court and their Lordships observed that it was urged that the learned District Judge was wrong in holding that the suit was bad because the bills had not been dishonoured and protested. In this their Lordships were of opinion that the plaintiff's view must be sustained. The bills were made payable in Bombay and consequently, under sections 134 and 32 of the Act, the acceptor became liable at the maturity of the bills. It was suggested that presentment would be necessary to charge the acceptor, but that was clearly not so and section 64 provides only that the other parties, i.e. the maker and the drawee—are not liable to the holder unless the bill has been presented to the acceptor. The acceptor is the principal debtor and his liability is independent of presentment. Finally it was suggested on behalf of the plaintiff that there is evidence to indicate that some Banks are in the habit of forwarding for acceptance copies of bills instead of the bills themselves. Their Lordships said that that perhaps was so, but certainly there were not before them any materials on which they could accept as proved any such custom as the law would recognise. That being so, the further question which would arise, the question whether such custom would override the provisions of the Act, is a point upon which, since it cannot now arise, their Lordships said they must rigidly abstain from giving any opinion. The appeal was dismissed with costs.

POLICE COURT.

"NANA MASA" COMMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.

Yesterday, Mr. Chunilal H. Setalvad, Third Presidency Magistrate, Committed Nanabhoy Dinshaw, to the Criminal Sessions of the High Court, on Charges of committing theft, receiving stolen property and habitually receiving stolen property.

The N. Y. K. steamer, "Totomi Maru," left Hong Kong for Singapore on the 15th instant and the same Co.'s "Kagoshima Maru" arrived at Hongkong on 15th idem.

The Report on the irrigation branch of the Public Works Department, Burma, for last year shows the capital expenditure on the Major Works was Rs. 13,11,216 of which Rs. 8,60,706 was on the Mon Canal and Rs. 3,38,521 on the Shwebo Canal, the net revenue from Major and Minor Works being Rs. 16,58,085. During the year 951,953 acres were irrigated as against 933,659 acres in the preceding year. The irrigation results on the Manda Canal have not come up to expectation, and during the year there was scarcely any expansion in the area irrigated. This is said to be mainly due to the slow rate at which land occupied by heavy jungle is being applied for on lease.

THE CATHOLIC "WHO'S WHO."

The Catholic "Who's Who" and Year Book for 1908, 3s. 6d., just issued by the well-known Catholic Booksellers, Messrs. Burns and Oates, Orchard Street, London, W., edited by Sir F. C. Burnand, who had been for many years the life and strength of "Punch," is the first production of its kind, and the compilers are to be congratulated on the completeness of this most useful, instructive and exceptionally interesting book of reference. In spite of utmost care and ungrudging pains and attention to detail there must inevitably occur deficiencies which will, no doubt, be made good, and even some errors which further information will enable them to rectify. As a mark of the genuine and heartfelt loyalty of Catholics throughout the Empire the book is dedicated to His Majesty King Edward VII whose generous sympathy and kindness of heart has bound him so intimately with the most cherished feelings of Catholics throughout the British Empire. The names of many renowned men in all parts of the world are given with a short sketch of their life and position. As one goes through the book one is struck with the names of so many important personages who have joined the Catholic Church by conversion. Notable persons in the Colonies, America, Australia, Canada, and British India are not overlooked, and we find familiar names such as of the Archbishop of Bombay (Dr. Jurgens), of Madras (Dr. Colgan), of Agra, Allahabad, etc. Among the priests mentioned are Fr. Muller, the famous Director of the Homeopathic Institute in Mangalore, Canara District, who was lately decorated with the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal by Sir Arthur Lawley, for his charity to the poor and lepers; Rev. P. A. Fernandez, a native priest, Vicar, St. Andrew's Bandora, who is the author of the "Life of St. Gonsalo Garcia" the only canonised Indian Saint, and who has lately returned to Bombay from a tour to Rome, (where he was received in audience by His Holiness the Pope), Lourdes, Portugal, Germany and England. Many more names will no doubt appear in future editions and the necessary information is cordially invited by the Publishers.

Commenting on the grave political difficulties in which the German League has plunged owing to its extreme methods of agitation, the "Times" remarks that the League has suddenly developed all the terrors of a Frankenstein's monster to its makers, and it may be found easier to stimulate than to fetter its activity. Not merely has it stirred up strife in deep religious and political problems, but it seems inclined to carry even its naval policy beyond the by no means moderate desires of the Government. Quite apart from the grave question whether Germany is capable of bearing so severe a strain in the present state of her finances, it is a matter worth serious consideration whether such an ostentatious display of energy is really calculated to advance her own best interests. Germany already has perhaps the most powerful army in the world; if, in addition to that, she aims at becoming a naval Power of the very first rank, she can hardly fail to excite intense watchfulness in all the other Powers, as so keen a patriot as Col. Gaedke has not hesitated to point out to his countrymen. If the extreme demands of the German Navy League are put forward unrebuked, with all the authority which General Keim obtains from his association with the Chancellor, we could hardly be accused of undue suspiciousness should we regard them as, at any rate, the ultimate programme of the Government. In that case, we should have to do what all parties in England agree is necessary at all costs—grimly to determine to have a fleet stronger than that of Germany and of any possible ally of Germany.

HIGH COURT.—JAN. 17.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Russell.
After Appellate Side works is over.
Examination in Insolvency Court matter for 15 minutes.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long causes.

884-05—Bhaishanker K and G—Motilal Shivlal vs The Secretary of State for India in Council—E F Nicholson—part heard.
461-06—Craigie L and O—Mulraj Khatao vs Cumbhumpand Akilandaya and others—Bhaishanker K and G—partly decreed.
411-07—N M—Cama Nuserwanji Muncherji and others vs Devkinandan Biharilal Kanga and P
869-07 Kanga and P—Rustomji Cavasji Karadi and others vs Ruttonji Sorabji Subodhar and others—Ardeshir H D and Co.
218-07—Bhaishanker K and G—Nanji Hariram and another vs Methabai widow and others—Madhowji K and C—
276-07—Payne and Co—Ludha Ebrahim and Co vs Gungaprasad Dwarkaprasad and another Mehta and S
251-07—Raghavaya B and N—Pandorag Vishnu Abhyanker and another vs Thucker Dwarkadas Valji in person
132-07—Tyabjee D and Co—Baikisondas Shivlal and another vs Gopaldas Fatechand and another
279-06—Jamsetjee R and D—Vischand Manaji and others vs Deochand Rawchand and others Raghavaya B and N
707-06—Kanga and P—Cowasji Fakirji Sidhvar vs Bomonj. Edulji Kashinath and others—Wadia G and Co
55-07—Bhaishunker K and G—Girdharlal Chotalal vs Jivabhai Chaturdas Mansukhlal J and H
368-06—Thakurdas and Co N C—Macleod vs Joomabhai Jan Mahomed and another Tyabjee D and Co
729-05—E G W and Co—Haji Bibi widow vs H H Sir Sultan Mahomed Sha Agakhan and others—Payne and Co

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Davar.)
For Judgment

221-05—Mehta and D—Ayeshabai widow vs Ebrahim Haji Jacob and others—Payne and Co.

Suits for hearing and Final Disposal
Long Causes.

401-05—Ardeshir H D and Co—Perozshah Pestonji Bharucha vs Aimai widow and others—K D Shroff—part heard.
215-07—Bicknell M and R—Ramdas Damodar and another vs Damodar Jewandas—Unwalla and P part heard
481-07—Payne and Co Jobarmal Meghraj vs Rugunath Ramlal—Kanga and Co
771-06—Craigie L and O—Jumnadas Narrondas and others vs The Advocate General of Bombay Little and Co N H & Co and W G and Co

Petition.

In the matter of the Arbitration Act IX of 1899 and in the matter of the arbitration between Mahomed Yousuf Banu and others parties to suit No 225 of 1901 and another Ismail Oomerji Mangera—Ardeshir H D and Co Hawaboo and others Petitioners Ismail Oomerji and others Respondents

Long Causes

60-07—Khunderao L and M—Nagardas Vatsraj vs Anandrao Bhai and others Bicknell M and R and S B and Co
327-07—Bicknell M and R—Anandrao Bhai vs Sittabai widow and others Smetham B and Co K L and M
326-07—Bicknell M and R—Anandrao Bhai vs Lixmon Shivaji Deshmukh and another Smetham B and Co; K L and M
473-07—Thakurdas and Co—Shapoorji Burjorjee Fraser vs Dayal, Muljee Smetham B and Co,
520-07—Smetham B and Co—Dayal Muljee vs The Fraser Ice Factory Lt and others Thakurdas and Co,
230-07—Kanga and P— Haroon Adam vs Adarjee Jamsetjee Panthaky—Nanu H and Co,
302-07—Shamrao M and H Rustoomjee Jehanger vs Adarjee Jamsetjee Panthaky Nanu H and Co,
600-25849-06—Mulla and M—Mowje Munji vs Kuverji Navrowji and others Bhaishanker K and G and M J and M
58-04—Thakurdas and Co—Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy vs Pranjiwandas Vajiram—Matubhai J and M
183-07—R B and N—A Rosario vs J A de Quadros—D F and D
214-95—Wadia G and Co—Goswami Shri Girdharlalji Mabraj vs Lalubhai Nanabhoy and others—E G W and Co
606-07—Bhaishanker and K and G—The Yokohama Specil Bank Ld, vs Rattanbai and others—Jehangir and S
686-06—Ardeshir H D and Co—Sir Dinshaw M Petit Bt and others vs Sir Jamsetji Jijibhoy Bt and others—Craigie L and O

(Before the Hon Mr Justice Beaman.)
Suits for Hearing and Final Disposal.
Long Causes.

247-07—Thakurdas and Co Fatechund Khubchund the firm vs Alibai Kaderbhai and others Jamsetji R and D part-heard
541-04—Craigie L and O—Karrondas Dharamsi vs Gungabai widow and another—M J and J
106-07—Daphtary F and D—Jasroopjee Saidarmul vs Kikabhai Premchand and others—Thakurdas and Co
138-07—Malvi H M and R Jivandas Dhunji vs Keshowji Harjee—Dikshit D and S
400-07—Tyabji D and Co—Tricumdas Cooverji vs Ranchordas Canji—Payne and Co
492-07—Payne and Co—Sorabji Dadabhoy Lam and others vs Eruchsha Jamsedji Hakim Pestonji R and K
511-07—Kanga and P—Yacoob Ibrahim Sayani vs Bai Rahmatbai widow and others—Payne and Co
57-04—Tyabji D and Co—Suknanand Gurmukhrai and others vs Chandrabhan Mohanlal and others—Payne and Co
191-07—Khunderao L and M—Ganputrao Moroji Zaoba vs Wamonrao Shamrao and others—S M and H and N H and Co
378-13381-05—M J and M Sahebram Nihalchand and others vs Karindan Chhotmal and others—Payne and Co
134-07—Mulla and K—Shankar Dagroo vs Pestonji Cowasji Cantinwala and others R B and N
769-06—Dinshaw and D—Lachmondas Mooltanmul and another vs Ravatmal Tarachund and others—D F and D
629-05—T A Ghandy—Damoderdas Veudrawandas and others vs Abdul Cadur Noorbhai and others—Little and Co
804-06—R B and N—F H de Brito vs Karmally Meherally Patil—W J and M
839-01—E G N and Co—Muncharsha Shapurji Narielwala vs Ardeshir Shapurji Nareilwala and others—K D Shroff
522-06—Tyabji D and Co—Khatoonbai, widow and others vs Zulekhabai widow and others S B and Co
635-07—Jehangir G and B—Bhicaji Ramji Varekar vs Mukund Bhiwa and another—M R Vakil.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Macleod.)
For dismissal under Sec. 381 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

465-07—Jehangir G and B—Jamnabai widow Mirza and Mirza—Mirza M and M

Suits for hearing and final disposal
Long Causes.

347-07—Nadirshaw B Vakil—Bai Moolibai widow vs Abdool Hoosein Moola Abdulali—Jamshedji and R
61-07—Ardeshir H D and Co—Zulikhbabai widow and others vs Abba Gunny Noor Mahomed Patel and others—Thakurdas and Co
523-06—Captain and V—Haji Esmail Hasham vs Mahomed Esmail Boshaji and others—Mulji and R Little and Co
515-06—Ardeshir H D and Co Ahmed Karim Mahomed and others vs Manajibai widow and others—Mirza and M.
410-06—Mirza M—Fatmabai widow and another vs Ahmed Karim and others Ardeshir H D and Co
52-06—Payne and Co—Haji Gulam Mahomed Azam vs The Union Marine Insurance Co Ld, vs—Crawford B and Co
349-06—Payne and Co—Haji Gulam Mahomed Azam vs The Prussion National Insurance Co—Crawford B and Co
285-06—Ardeshir H D and Co—Nathoo Gangaram vs Thucker Mulji Soonderji—Mulla and M
487-04—Raghavaya B and N—Gangadhar Sadashive Goktale vs Abdool Hoosein Adamji Peerbhoy—Bicknell M and M.
56-05—Thakurdas and Co—Rahim Vali Mahomed vs Iribhomandas Thakurdas—Jamshedjee K and D.
174-06—Mansukhlal J and H—Premkarebai widow vs Goculdas Kisondas and others—Madhowjee K G M J and H.

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THE PAN-AMERICAN RAILWAY.

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THE Great Pan-American Railway scheme for a line to connect New York with Buenos Ayres came up again for discussion at the Third International Conference of the American States a month ago. No actual progress was reported, but sufficient was said to confirm its advocates in the conclusion that the completion of a chain of railways forming an inter-continental American line is not only feasible, but will "be an attainment long before the present century has run its course—" which is not saying much, seeing that the first decade of the present century has still some time to run. It appears that the actuating motive in the United States is the desire to possess a share of Latin-American trade commensurate with its capabilities and position in the New World and the desire to improve its business relations with South America. It is shown that compared with Great Britain and Germany the United States is far behind in the commercial competition in South America, though its trade with the Latin-American countries has greatly increased—the imports having doubled and the exports trebled within the past year. United States manufactures now form nearly sixty per cent of the exports to Cuba, about seventy per cent of those to Mexico and about eighty-five per cent of those to Central and South America. The anxiety of the States, therefore, to improve railway facilities is easy to understand. The prospects of the undertaking depend upon the support of the Governments of Columbia, Ecuador and Peru, at present the weakest links in the chain, but it is not expected that any substantial progress can be made until each country has, by continuous internal development, met its own immediate needs of local Railway policy of which their respective sections of the Pan-American trunk line may form part.

The administration of each country interested has affirmed the principle and in some cases have incurred considerable preliminary expense—President Reyes of Columbia, himself an explorer, having studied the water-communications of the Amazon and its tributaries in relation to the proposed line; Ecuador carrying out the policy of Railway construction initiated by President Alfaro in his first Administration, and Peru having created a special Railway fund with the proceeds of the tobacco tax and established a permanent guarantee for the same object. The scheme was first publicly mooted at the first Pan-American Conference in 1889-90, where the representatives of eighteen Governments unanimously were in favour of its construction. The representative of the United States, Mr. Secretary Blaine, considered the railway scheme to be as important a recommendation as any that had come from the International American Conference, and Congress acting upon President Harrison's desire to give practical effect to the recommendation, sanctioned the cost of a preliminary survey. A sum equivalent to £72.000 was expended and the preliminary survey of a line 10,471 miles long was made. Railway work all along the route on the part of the States concerned has since been carried out and a Special Commissioner who recently inspected that route has reported that the two chief Governments concerned have definitely embarked on a Governmental Railway policy which will bring the Pan-American line within measurable distance of realisation. The Mexican link in the inter-continental trunk line has been practically finished by the extension of the Mexican lines, according to the policy of President Diaz, to the boundary of Guatemala, whence a gap of thirty miles remains to be bridged to give through rail way communication from New York City to Guatemala City, a distance of 3,770 miles, and it is confidently asserted that in spite of the chronic political disturbances of the Central American States, there is no reason to fear that railway developments already projected and considered necessary to the welfare of the States will not be carried on with more or less progress under the successive Administrations, however ephemeral these may be. Except in Costa Rica, it has been shown, on more occasions than one, in newspaper and magazine articles, that the engineering difficulties are not great and if the United States and Mexico will but exert themselves there appears to be no reason why the line should not be completed in very much less time than it has hitherto been considered safe to predict.

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JAPANESE METHODS IN KOREA.

WE hear very occasionally of what the Japanese are doing in Korea, and that little, too, is through Japanese official channels. Even from this little, Korea appears to be a much harder nut for Japan to crack than she had ever thought at first, and the Japanese are very unpopular there. The Japanese seem to be very chary of letting the world know what they are doing in Korea, and how they are doing it. The late war showed well enough how Japan could manage to curb the inconvenient curiosity of newspaper correspondents. She bottled these up at a critical time at Tokio that they may not know of her weakness and exhaustion. She is taking good care now that no press correspondents may find out the truth about her present work in Korea. Mr. William Ellis, however, has been there, and what he has to say of Japanese methods is far from flattering to that people. Mr. Ellis is no disappointed tourist writing out of grudge for insults or ill-treatment. On the contrary he has been the recipient of only courtesy and kindly attention at the hands of the Japanese. Yet, he declares that the Japanese are behaving in Korea in a way which "comes near to barbarism." The Japanese soldiers and immigrants are behaving there disgracefully. "To knock down a Korean in the street is nothing. To drive him unremunerated out of his home, without five minutes' warning, for no other reason than that some Japanese thinks it would be a good place to live in, is so common as to pass almost unnoticed. To take away his business, be it sculling a sampan, pulling a jinriksha or running a little shop, is perhaps no more barbarous than some proceedings in America. To force him by thousands to work for weeks without wages, as a cooly upon Japanese enterprises, is but one more exemplification of the doctrine that might makes right. But to beat defenceless old women, to insult inoffensive foreigners as well as Koreans, to murder scores of men simply for protesting against being robbed of their property, and to crucify and then to shoot (I have the photographs) men who actively resent having their homes stolen,—this comes near to barbarism." Having witnessed these scenes himself, Mr. Ellis enquired of foreigners in Korea and they, too, condemned the Japanese. "After what my own eyes have seen I can scarcely doubt the assertion heard on every side, that every white man in Korea, except one American employed by the Japanese Government, is now earnestly opposed to the conduct of the Japanese, though when the late war began, the great majority of them were prominently in favour of Japan's cause. This American, Mr. W. D. Steevans, a man of real ability, gave me the names of several men whom I should see to get a true and favourable view of Japan's course; I saw them all but one, and from some of them I heard the bitterest arraignments of Japan uttered in my presence during my sojourn in Korea; none of them justified Japan. Two men, missionaries, while shocked by the outrages on all sides, yet cling tenaciously to the charitable notion that Marquis Ito's assurances should be accepted as the measure of Japan's future course in Korea, rather than the deeds of his countrymen." No wonder that he thinks that the Korean, if assured of support from without, will at last turn in desperation to fight. Mr. Ellis says in the *North American Review* that people still discuss the question whether Japan is really a civilised nation, though the Japanese themselves consider such a discussion impertinent. But if what Mr. Ellis has to say from his own personal experience as an eye-witness be true, Japan's conduct in Korea would render the discussion of this question by no means superfluous. "If the standards of civilization," says he, "are to be applied to Japan's conduct in this out-of-the-world corner, where presumably the big public is not looking, then Japan stands condemned." He has no prejudice against this plucky nation whom all the world is praising. But he thinks that time, education and hard knocks are yet required to fit Japan to take her place alongside of the great Powers of the earth. "A sound thrashing by some other nation will chasten the people's vaulting pride. The shutting of the world's markets to them until they learn how to do business honourably will teach them a necessary lesson. The thorough-going ability of the military and naval officials, and of the governing classes generally, will be imparted to all other departments of the national life. Christianity, which is slowly but steadily supplanting the superstition, idolatry and ignorant spirit worship of Buddism and Shintoism, will elevate the national character, and temper the all-absorbing, inconsiderate and relentless selfishness of the nation." All this is meant in a kindly spirit, though frankly told. Altogether, Mr. Ellis' article provides food for reflection for the Japanese as well as others.

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EDUCATION IN THE U. P.

THE progress of education during the last five years is the subject of an important resolution issued by the Government of the United Provinces. Compared with some other Provinces these are still backward in educational matters, but in the last five years very much has been done to catch up and the result is a better outlook than at any previous time. In 1901 it was recognised that more primary schools were needed, while other needs formulated were more teachers, higher salaries, better-built and better kept buildings for vernacular schools, an increased district inspecting staff and improvement in the pay and position of subordinate inspecting officers, greater attention and help towards female education and more and better-class boarding houses. In all of these much still remains to be done, more especially in the first, fourth, seventh and eighth; but very much has already been accomplished. There has been a large increase in the number of primary schools and in the numbers attending them. The number of normal schools has been increased from four to six, and with the opening, in addition, of training classes for primary school teachers in connection with upper primary schools. It is believed that the demand for means of training teachers for primary schools has been fairly met. The prospects of teachers have been very materially improved, the inspecting staff has been considerably increased and reorganised, and the pay of the subordinate officers has been enhanced. Some impetus has been given to female education, but want of funds has prevented the Local Government from doing all that could be desired in this direction, while progress is also retarded both by the conservatism of the people and the want of competent teachers. As regards the increase and improvement of boarding accommodation the number of boarders has increased from 6,875 to 12,577 males and from 2,261 to 3,228 females, but, it is stated, a very large sum could still be spent, and well spent, in this direction. The statistics show that at the end of last year there were 606,174 scholars under instruction in 15,642 public and private institutions compared with 452,773 under education in 14,360 institutions five years ago. The figures of expenditure for the year will, if compared with those of five years ago, give a very fair idea of the efforts made during the past quinquennium by the Government, local bodies, and the people to extend education in the province. Five years ago the direct expenditure on education was Rs. 32,48,421; it is now Rs. 46,27,535. Of this the greater part was given to Secondary schools which absorbed Rs. 19,28,990 while Rs. 15,03,056 was given to Primary schools, these figures comparing with Rs. 9,57,011 and Rs. 14,16,585 respectively in 1901 02. The great defect in secondary education at present is undoubtedly the manner in which English is taught, and this defect has become more manifest than ever with the large increase in the number of pupils learning that language. The Lieutenant-Governor fears that at present many students become undergraduates without having acquired sufficient knowledge of English to appreciate their lectures, and that in consequence the professors at the college have often to undertake teaching in English, which should have been given at the school. This circumstance and the fact that college classes are often too large probably tend more than anything else to prevent the standard of education attained by an ordinary student at his college from being as high as it ought to be. The low percentage of boys attending primary schools is seriously engaging attention, and it appears that heavier grants alone can effect an improvement.

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COTTON FROM NIGERIA.

MR. BIRTWISTLE, the Commercial Intelligence Officer of Southern Nigeria has been endeavouring to impress an audience at the Royal Colonial Institute on the paramount importance of making Nigeria the chief cotton supplier to Lancashire. That it will be better for Lancashire when the greater part of the cotton is grown within the Empire is conceded by all, but whether Nigeria is to be the salvation of the cotton industry is not so clear. Lancashire contains a population of nearly four and three-quarter millions and it is no exaggeration to say that the majority of this huge population is dependent in one way or another upon cotton. The value of the raw cotton imports during the last few years averaged fifty-four millions sterling or one-eleventh of the whole inward trade, while the outward shipments for the years 1904 to 1906 were eighty-three, ninety-two and ninety-nine millions, respectively, and there was every prospect of last year's total exceeding one hundred millions. In addition to this is the great Home consumption, and when it is considered that forty per cent. of the exports go to British possessions, it is clear that something should be done to protect the Empire from bearing the brunt of inflated prices due to scarcity of raw material in foreign countries. The Empire contains many places eminently suited to cotton growing, and yet of the total raw imports, only three per cent. is grown under the British flag; so that for the £40,000,000 which the colonies send to England for manufactured cotton only about two millions return for raw cotton. In considering the possibilities of Nigeria Mr. Birtwistle wisely avoids the pitfall of over-enthusiasm. Lagos (Southern Nigeria) cotton has been sold at prices from one halfpenny below to one farthing above "middling American" and Mr. Hutton, Chairman of the British Cotton-Growing Association, has stated that the average value is now nearly equal to that quality. Northern Nigerian cotton has sold at even better prices and, Mr. Hutton says, is the type most wanted by Lancashire. Whether the conditions of climate and soil are, with improved methods of cultivation and proper selection of seed, such as to give average returns per acre to those in America, said Mr. Birtwistle in his lecture, he could not say, but there is no question whatever as to cotton being already one of the staple crops in many parts of Nigeria, and he was of the opinion that when the natives realised that they could dispose of any quantity immediately when gathered—a thing they did not at present understand—they would very largely increase their holdings. The estimated available area is 24,000,000 acres, which is only one-seventh less than the average American area of the last six years. Mr. Birtwistle thinks it reasonable to suppose that a crop of five million bales may some day be produced in Nigeria, which is more than enough for Lancashire's needs. The parting advice of the lecture is striking. The industry must be left to develop itself. Encouragement and help must be given to the natives, who have yet to learn that their crop, however large, can find a market; but the time has not yet come for European managed plantations. Railways are needed and ginneries are needed with capitalists to buy the cotton from the natives, but for the present *festina lente* must be the motto of Nigerian cotton. It is the only way, and Mr. Birtwistle is to be congratulated on the most sober statement of the facts of the case that has been heard for a very long time.

WE are requested to state that the competitive disigns for the proposed Prince of Wales Museum to be erected on the Crescent site will be open to the inspection of the public at the Town Hall on Thursday and Friday the 23rd and 24th instant between the hours of 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p. m. The Committee have received sixteen designs, some of which are of superlative merit.

THE German East Africa line steamer "Sultan" arrived at Mombassa from Bombay yesterday.

THE Austrian Lloyd's s.s. "Austria," from Bombay, arrived at Hongkong on the morning of the 16th instant.

THE P. and O. s.s. "Oriental," with the homeward mails of the 11th instant, arrived at Aden at 8 p.m. on Wednesday the 15th January.

THE P. and O. s.s. "Mooltan," with the outward Mails of the 10th instant, passed Suez at 2-30 a.m. on Thursday the 16th January.

THE Secretary of State has accorded sanction to the pay of the Chief Judge of the Lower Burma Chief Court being increased from Rs. 3,750 to Rs. 4,000 per mensem.

BY a unanimous verdict the Punjabi convert named Scapur was found "not guilty" of attempting to murder Sergeant Whistledine, and was discharged. It is understood he will be re-arrested and tried under the Arms Act.

COLONEL SIR WILLIAM BISSET, the Chairman of the Madras and the Southern Mahratta Railway systems, left Madras with Lady Bisset on Wednesday night for Bombay where he is expected to stay a few days and then proceed to Calcutta.

DURING the week ending 14th January 22½ chests of opium were removed from Bombay and were sold to Farmers as follows:—Jamnagar 2, Vala 1, Nasik 2, Sholapur 5, Ahmednagar 4, Ahmedabad 6½, Poona 2. During the week 51 chsets were imported from Indore.

THE official returns published to-day estimate the outturn of the Til crop at less than half the average in the reporting provinces, the total being 187,400 tons against 425,300 last year. The decrease is all in Northern India.

MR. R. E. HOLLAND officiates, as a temporary arrangement, as Deputy Secretary, Foreign Department, Government of India, vice Mr. Dobbs proceeding on six weeks' leave; Captain, W. F. T. O'Connor acting as Assistant Secretary vice Mr. Holland.

THE Governor of Bombay has accepted the resignation of the Honourable Mr. W. W. Drew of his office as an Additional Member of Council, and has been pleased to nominate Mr. Richard Amphlett Lamb, C.I.E., to be an Additional Member for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations only.

A CORRESPONDENT of the "India Trade Journal" says that three bankruptcies occurred at Bushire in November, involving British creditors, and that financial conditions at the port are very poor. He adds that inland, at Shiraz, "anarchy and dearth of money have reduced trade stability to a very low ebb."

THE official statement of the salt issues and duty levied thereon in India and Burma for the nine months ending on the 31st December shows an increased issue of 17,90,672 maunds, and a decrease in the duty of Rs. 1,31,34,605, the decrease being due to the reduction of the duty last April from Rs. 1-8 to Re. 1 per maund.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

EARLY OPENING FOR THE LONDON SEASON.

Consultant Milliners.

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(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DECEMBER 27.

It seems a little anomalous while we are still in the throes of the annual Christmas festivities to write of the London season, that twelve weeks of social activity which according to Society's calendar, should be sandwiched in between Easter and Goodwood, but the London season will be much earlier than it has been for many years past. Last year the Autumn session which made London quite gay in the drear October and November months made people in no hurry to return to Town in the spring, but Parliament opens again in January and Town will be full for the event. Next month the King holds his first levee and the Courts, too, are unusually early. All the eve of the opening parties which begin the Socio-political entertaining will take place in January when the Countess of Portsmouth will again entertain for Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman. Altogether there will be a great deal of brilliant entertaining before Lent and the London season promises to be one of the longest on record. Added to which everyone is prophesying a boom in trade, so the outlook is quite rosy. An early season of course makes a world of difference to the armies of modistes, milliners and jewellers, florists, house-agents etc. who reap the golden harvest of the year from the "Season."

OPEN AIR CAFE.

At last we are to have the long looked for open air cafe and in the heart of West London! Behind the majestic colonnade of the Piccadilly hotel which will open early in the London season, is a spacious terrace where in fine weather meals may be served on the continental plan. The stone columns which will screen the diners from the passers by below will be made beautiful by masses of greenery and plants.

Altogether the new hotel is exceedingly magnificent and will rival the Ritz on the other side of Piccadilly in sumptuousness. It contains over three hundred rooms and is twelve stories high.

THE CONSULTANT MILLINER.

One of the cleverest French milliners in London has struck out quite a new line for herself. Unlike the French milliners who live in fashionable streets where rent absorbs an enormous sum and prices consequently have to be "stiff," this woman, who is an artist at her trade, lives in a modest little street in Soho within a stone's throw of Regent-street and yet not of it, and while she is quite ready to sell her hats in the showroom in the old established way, she presses her favourite customers to avail themselves of the services of one of her consultant milliners. "For," explains Madame in her pretty broken English, "Ze lady shouldtry on her 'at at her own toilet table." Customers ring up Madame on the 'phone, or send her a postcard to say they want a new hat, giving some idea of the colour of the gown with which it will be worn, and a consultant milliner sets forth with an array of boxes containing a selection of hats to be tried on leisurly before the lady's own looking glass. The result is always satisfactory and the attendant milliner is able to make any little alteration needed and then the customer gets a hat that really suits. Every woman knows how often the hat which seemed to suit her to perfection in the shop proves a bitter disappointment when taken out of its environment.

KING PANTOMIME.

No one can say exactly what theatrical managers spend annually on pantomime, but in London it is safe to say that a sum of over six figures would be required to cover the cost of the different productions. This year Londoners have nineteen pantomimes to choose from, from Drury lane downwards. At one time the production at Drury-lane was the only pantomime taken into serious consideration, but this is changed now-a-days. "The Adelphi" has produced a pantomime for the past two or three years and this year "The Lyceum" has followed suit with "Robinson Crusoe" and promises to run Drury-lane yery close in popular favour. Many of the suburban productions, too, can worthily challenge comparison with the West End in pantomime, and at Kensington and Camden Town in particular most elaborate productions are staged. Londoners seem to be developing a growing fondness for pantomime and there are still those who sigh for the good old days of the harlequinade, and indeed many of our theatre managers have said that a real old fashioned pantomime with a full harlequinade would have a great success in London. With three productions each, "The Babes in the Wood" and "Robinson Crusoe" are the most popular pantomimes in town this year.

"The Babes in the Wood" is certainly the best production that has been seen at Drury-lane for years. Though there are glitter and sparkle enough from a spectacular point of view there have been more gorgeous productions, but the "Babes in the Wood" will certainly delight the children, and will not dazzle and bewilder them as some of the pantomimes have done in the past.

DUCAL HOUSE PARTY'S JOKE.

Society has found many strange ways now-a-days of amusing itself at country houses, but the exploit with which the Duke of Westminster's house party at Eaton Hall celebrated Christmas is certainly not likely to be emulated by even the smartest of the smart set.

Early on Christmas morning the Marquis of Cholmondeley whose seat Cholmondeley Castle is near Eaton Hall, discovered that he had been paid a visit by burglars, who had secured a valuable racing cup and some hundreds of cigars. The alarm was at once given and it was discovered that the burglars, in the most up-to-date style, had used a motor car.

The police were informed and were soon busily making inquiries, but in the meantime certain curious circumstances came to light at the Castle. In the room which had been entered was much valuable silver, and of this only the one racing cup had been taken, in its place being left a large piece of coal, no doubt in memory of a certain *cause celebre.* A coal box, too, had been carefully filled with costly trinkets, certainly a somewhat odd proceeding for burglars. These singular facts gradually impressed themselves on Lord Cholmondeley's mind and when the police heard of them they at once surmised that the affair was a practical joke. The truth of this was finally made clear in the evening. It was authoratively stated that some members of the Duke of Westminster's house party had gone over to Cholmondeley Castle to "play a joke" on the house party there. Though Lord Cholmondeley has accepted this extraordinary explanation of the affair he is much annoyed, and certainly the taste of the "joke" was more than questionable.

THE HOTEL CHRISTMAS DAY.

We are becoming so used to the decay of home life that there is really little matter for surprise that people who spend the greater part of the year in hotels should also choose to celebrate the Christmas festival in their luxurious confines.

Once upon a time, and only a very short time ago too, Christmas Day was the dullest day of the whole three hundred and sixty five in the hotels, and this year the managers of the West End hotels who have become used to the popularity of the hotel Christmas dinner confessed to being taken by surprise at such a volume of visitors. Early in the day tables were snapped up at the Carlton, the Ritz, the Savoy etc. and telephone attendants spent the afternoon of Christmas Day apologising to disappointed patrons that these palatial establishments were not thrice their size.

"Did you ever see anything like it?" said the Carlton manager to me as we looked round the beautiful *rose du barri* restaurant with its empire wreathes of holly and its magnificent snow village adjoining in the Palm Court. "Every table booked in advance! I have never known such a rush on Christmas Day and the surprising part is that many of our visiters have homes in London. The home Christmas is indeed dead." The guests at most of the hotels found Christmas gifts from the management reposing by their plates on Christmas morning, and all without exception boasted a Christmas Tree for the children of the visitor.

The Carlton Christmas Tree by the way which rises to an extraordinary height and is richly laden with toys will go to the little cripples of London, and on New Year's Day Sir William Treloar will come to fetch it away.

FACTS AND FANCIES.

BY

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THE CHURCH MILITANT.

ONE sincerely wishes that for the sake of his own reputation the Bishop of Bombay had refrained from once more utilising the pages of a contemporary for the publication of his own grievances. Rarely could one light upon a more unnecessary, perhaps undignified, piece of correspondence than that which appeared above his signature a few days ago. He reads in the paper that the petitions of the Reverend Mr. Bonney and Father Nicholson, both of whom he had previously inhibited for heresy, popery or some other heinous offence of this kind, have been placed before the Metropolitan of Calcutta and that the latter, pending his final decision in the case, has decreed the cancellation of the inhibitory order. A sad blow for the Bishop. But instead of quietly awaiting the Metropolitan's official notification and confirmation of the press reports, the Right Reverend gentlemen rushes into print for the sole purpose of explaining to the public that he, for one, cannot believe that the Metropolitan would act so foolishly. He then complains that he was not present, tries to bolster up his case in the public eye by stating that he had already done what he is now forced to do by the order of the Consistory Court, makes a bid for public sympathy by referring to his own ill state of health and finally expresses wonder that the Bombay press should have received earlier information than he himself has of the proceedings before the Bishop of Calcutta. There is nothing wonderful in the latter fact. A large proportion of the church-going laity of Bombay have viewed with anything but complacency the Bishop's recent dealings with men who, whatever mistaken they may have been guilty of in the matter of mere ritual, have earned the regard of many by their solid work and self-sacrifice in the cause of the poor. The inhibition of both men has been freely discussed; and the public have eagerly waited for the earliest pronouncement of the Metropolitan upon the Bishop's forcible action. The press is well aware of these circumstances and has naturally taken steps to apprise its patrons as early as possible of events in the Consistory Court, without waiting for such information as the Bishop himself might subsequently see fit to dole out. On the question whether the clergyman at Lanawli and the representative of the Cowley Fathers in Mazagon are at fault the ordinary layman cannot obviously express an opinion. It is purely a question of ritual similar to those on which the priesthood in Protestant countries has fought many times in past centuries. The Bishop may be perfectly right from his point of view; he may have had to fight against insubordination, and he may have convinced himself that by acting as he has done he has saved the Presidency from the swelling seas of Antichrist. But he has failed to gauge public opinion accurately and he appears to have made but little allowance for the honest work performed by his opponents outside the narrow sphere of ritual. What the educated Native thinks of it all, it might be interesting to enquire. His own priests have their weaknesses and are known to contend at times upon details of religious observance. But they jealously hide their differences from the outside world and would be the last people to invoke the aid of publicists in settling them.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

The Bombay Corporation met on Monday last for the first time since the beginning of December, but almost immediately adjourned in deference to the memory of the late Khan Bahadur Abdur Razzak bin Curtas, who died during December. Against the sentiment which prompted the adjournment one can say nothing, but the question still remains whether it is desirable to waste a whole meeting simply because a valued colleague has reached the end of his life's journey. One would have thought that under the circumstances an expression of sympathy with the family of the deceased and an adjournment of half-an-hour would have fully met the case, especially as the agenda of the month had not been broached by so much as a single item and as the agenda in question contained the formidable business of the Budget for the ensuing financial year. If a councillor happened to die on the very day fixed for a meeting of the Corporation, an adjournment would unquestionably be desirable as a mark of respect to his memory. But in cases where the decease has occurred some little time previously, as in this instance, it is doubtful whether a whole afternoon's work should be wasted and busy men, such as most councillors are, should be summoned to a meeting which it is not proposed from the outset to hold. However, three days later the Corporation got to work in right earnest, the most conspicuous part of the day's proceedings being Mr. Joseph Baptista's speech introducing the Municipal Budget. The speech was a distinctly able one and smacked of the midnight oil. Mr. Baptista in the course of his oratorical flights lead his hearers from the garden of Eden to Paris in the French Revolutionary days, thundered against the Calvary which in his opinion the advocates of a higher house-tax are preparing for the people of the city, and finally wound up with an expression of hope that Bombay would become as beautiful as the daintier denizens of the Yoshiwara in Tokio. Obviously Mr. Baptista had tried his level best to produce an epoch-making speech, and to some extent he succeeded. But the general effect of his effort was marred by an attitude of wholly unnecessary pugnacity, as if indeed he felt he was on thin ground and wished to frighten possible opponents by a display of bravado. The chief basis of opposition to the Budget proposals now before the Corporation lies in the fact that the abolition of the town duty on grain, which the Acting Commissioner proposed, has been rejected by the Standing Committee, who characterize the proposal as dangerous—dangerous in view of the heavy expenditure which the Municipality will almost certainly have to face in the course of the next few years. There is much to be said on both sides; and so far as theory and political economy are concerned the Acting Commissioner's proposal was perfectly sound. Moreover he had the experience of past budgets to work upon, which clearly show that the expansion of income has almost invariably been underestimated and that the permanent additions to expenditure in any one year have only formed a small amount by comparison with the annual increments to permanent revenue. Moreover the revision of assessments on house property which have been mainly responsible for the expanding balances to the credit of the Corporation is, they say, by no means yet completed; for there are still a large number of properties of which the assessment has not been revised for from ten to fourteen years, and the result of such revision, coupled with the ever-increasing number of new houses springing up in various quarters of the city, and the income derivable upon estates laid out by the City Improvement Trust and Port Trust is inevitably bound to pour an increasing sum of money into the coffers of the Corporation. On the other hand the cautious wiseacres, who now control Municipal finance, point to the unlimited liabilities to be incurred by the Corporation in respect of medical relief, education, contributions to the Improvement Trust, and big engineering works, and dub the Acting Commissioner's proposals as speculative and unwise. Either party may be right, and only the future can prove which actually is. If the Corporation finally decide in favour of retaining the tax on food-supplies they will at least be following the hereditary instinct for hoarding capital which is implanted in the Indian mind; and if they decide to abolish it they will be adopting a principle which, in theory at any rate, has been declared sound, and will be cutting away a source of revenue which lends itself more to fraud than almost any other. Perhaps the best course which the Corporation could follow under the circumstances would be to accept the opinion of the permanent executive head of the Municipality, who after all is mainly responsible for keeping matters on the safe side. On the other hand the proposal to abolish the duty on grain has done good in calling public attention to a source of revenue which theoretically is undesirable and practically hampers trade, and in thereby ensuring that, even if not abolished now, it will be abolished at the first favourable opportunity.

ASIATICS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

NATAL'S POSITION.

Indian Veterans Petition Lord Elgin.

DEATH RATHER THAN DEGRADATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
LONDON, JANUARY 16.

Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman, in reply to a memorial in reference to the treatment of Natives in Natal, refuses to disallow Natal's Act of Indemnity, and points out that Natal is fully responsible for peace and order within her own borders.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that 116 Indian ex-soldiers are petitioning Lord Elgin, asking that, if the Imperial Government is unable to protect them from degradation, they may be shot on the South African battlefields, where they have been under fire.

AFFAIRS IN MOROCCO.

Trouble Pending at Rabat.

LONDON, JANUARY 15.

Advices from Morocco state that great anxiety prevails at Rabat where preparations are being made to defend the town.

The Europeans have been advised to remain indoors.

THE DUBLIN JEWEL CASE.

Commission Resumes its Sittings.

LONDON, JANUARY 15.

The Dublin Castle Jewel Robbery Commissioners have resumed their private sittings.

Sir Arthur Vicars has not given evidence.

PRINCE FIRMAN FIRMA'S POSITION.

Reinforcements Needed.

ARMY IN GREAT DANGER.

LONDON, JANUARY 15.

Prince Firman Firma telegraphs from Sujbulak that he is surrounded by 20,000 tribesmen and urgently needs reinforcements, provisions and money as his army is in danger of being cut up or perishing from hunger.

NEW PRUSSIAN LOAN.

Full Allotments.

LONDON, JANUARY 15.

Nine million sterling has been subscribed to the Prussian Loan, which is issued at 98 1/2, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. for the first ten years, 3 3/4 per cent. for the next five, and 3 1/2 per cent. thereafter.

The allotments were in full.

UNITED STATES BOXER INDEMNITY.

Reduction Sanctioned.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

A Despatch from Washington states that a joint resolution, passed by the Senate and House of Representatives, reduces the indemnity payable to the United States on account of the Boxer Rebellion to 11,655,000 dollars.

THE INCREASE IN FOREIGN NAVIES.

Speech by Sir E. Grey.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

Sir Edward Grey, speaking at Alnwick, said that if the foreign naval programmes were carried out in their entirety, further increases in our navy would undoubtedly be necessary.

THE COTTON DISPUTE.

Mr. Lloyd George to Intervene.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

Mr. Lloyd-George returned to London from the Continent yesterday, and immediately communicated with the Cotton disputants by telephone.

It is announced that the prospects of settlement of the dispute are now favourable.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Speech by Mr. Asquith.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

Mr. Asquith, speaking at Lancaster, said that all classes, including the workers, must contribute to any scheme of Old Age Pensions and the Government would proceed on these lines.

THE EMPRESS EUGENIE.

LONDON, JANUARY 15.

The ex-Empress Eugenie has left Port Said on board the "Mooltan."

THE BANK RATE.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

The Bank rate is now five per cent.

THE THIRD TEST MATCH.

Australians again Win.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

The Australians have won the Third Test Match by 245 runs.

LORD CURZON'S CANDIDATURE.

Irish League Meeting.

WEAKNESS OF IRISH PEERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
LONDON, JANUARY 16.

At the annual meeting of the Irish League, a resolution was passed declaring that Lord Curzon's candidature illustrates the moral and political imbecility of the Irish Peerage.

SOUTH AFRICAN DIAMOND INDUSTRY.

American Crisis Affects the Market.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

Telegrams from Johannesburg state that in view of the collapse of the diamond market, consequent of the crisis in America, the Premier Mine has postponed payment of the dividend which was declared in December.

The restriction of the diamond business seriously affects the finances of the Cape and the Transvaal.

FRANCE AND MOROCCO.

The Position of the Rival Sultans.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

M. Pichon, in an interview, said the proclamation of Mulai Hafid would not influence France who is pledged to guarantee the sovereignty of the Sultan and the integrity of the territory, whatever Sultan reigns.

CAPE LOAN FAILURE.

Underwriters to Take 90 Per Cent.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

It is understood that the Cape 3½ per cent. Loan of £1,020,700, has proved a fiasco and that the Underwriters take 90 per cent. of the amount.

HONKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

Heavy Fall in Shares.

LONDON, JANUARY 16.

The "Standard" commenting on the heavy fall in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares defends the action of the Board and says that by raising the actual dividend to £2 for the half year, it is practically stated that the distribution will be continued at this rate.

It must be remembered, says the "Standard" that the dividend is now payable upon a much larger capital.

THE Bombay Branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has received a wire from the Head Office at Hongkong to the effect that, subject to audit, the Bank dividend for the half year ended 31st December, 1907, will probably be £2 on the old Shares, £1-10-0 on the new Shares; added to Silver Reserve Fund 500,000 dollars; carried forward to next half-year 2,000,000 dollars. The amount received as premium on the issue of the new Shares has been dealt with as follows:—£500,000 (invested in Consols at 82) to Sterling Reserve Fund, which will then stand at £1,500,000; 1,250,000 dollars to Silver Reserve Fund, which, with the 500,000 dollars, allocated from profits for the past half-year, will then stand at 13,500,000 dollars.

SIR S. SUBRAMANIA AIYAR MEMORIAL.

Hostel for Students.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, JANUARY 16.

At a public meeting here yesterday convened by the Sheriff of Madras and presided over by the Governor, it was resolved that a Memorial should be raised in honour of Sir S. Subramania Aiyar to commemorate his distinguished career as a Citizen and a Judge of the High Court; that it should take the form of a hostel for students to be named after Sir S. Subramania Aiyar and located in Georgetown.

An influential Committee was appointed to give effect to these resolutions.

CHARITABLE FAMINE FUND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, JANUARY 16.

There will be a meeting at Government House, Lucknow, under the presidency of the Lieut.-Governor on Saturday the 25th instant, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of setting on foot a Charitable Famine Fund for the United Provinces.

PESHAWAR COTTON FACTORY RAID.

One Tribesman Captured.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

The Cotton Factory of Lala Karam Chand, Municipal Commissioner of Peshawar, was attacked on Monday night by a party of five tribesmen from across the border. The marauders, however, were repulsed, one of their number being wounded and captured.

RAWALPINDI OUTRAGE CASE.

Suicide of Complainant Denied.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

The report which has found publication in certain Indian journals to the effect that the complainant in the recent Rawalpindi Outrage Case has committed suicide since the acquittal of the accused has been made the subject of enquiry and has been ascertained to be without foundation. The woman was certainly alive on the 14th ultimo.

THE TELEGRAPHISTS' GRIEVANCES.

Committee's Report not Published.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
RANGOON, JANUARY 16.

The local Press has published copy of the following letter, dated 23rd December, 1907, from the Government of India in the Department of Commerce and Industry, to the Director General of Telegraphs:—

"I am directed to enclose copy of a telegram, dated 27th November, 1907, addressed to His Excellency the Viceroy by the General Secretary, General Memorial Committee, Rangoon, and to request that the following reply may be communicated to the staff at Rangoon and to all other departmental offices throughout India. The Government of India must adhere to their decision not to publish the report of the Telegraph Committee or give any indication of its contents until they have submitted their recommendations as His Majesty's Secretary of State and his orders have been obtained regarding them. The decision of the large and complicated questions at issue necessarily involves some delay, but the matter is being expedited as much as possible. The proposals for the reorganisation of the signalling establishment cannot be dealt with separately on some of the prayers contained in the General Memorial submitted by the signalling staff in October, 1906.

"The Government hope to pass orders at an early date and when they do so they will ask the Director General to publish them for the information of the staff.

"The Government of India are aware that there are a number of defects in the conditions of working in the Telegraph Department and the best means of remedying these is receiving their sympathetic consideration.

"Further with a view to introducing reforms the services of an expert Telegraph Officer have been obtained from home and it is hoped that much benefit will accrue from his examination of the existing organisation in consultation with the senior officers of the Department.

"With regard to the question of compulsory overtime, respecting which a special representation has been made, while the Government, as at present advised, are unable to hold out any hope that compulsory overtime will be abolished. The question will nevertheless be carefully examined.

"The question of the arrangement of the night watches and of adequate reliefs for meals is receiving close attention and a remedy for the existing state of affairs will be found as soon as possible."

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17.

Duties for ensuing week.—Fort Field Officer, Major A. W. Andrew, 116th Mahrattas; next for duty. Captain W. J. H. Hunter, 116th Mahrattas. Colaba Field Officer, Major A. C. Pitman, R. G. A.; next for duty, Major G. H. F. Wingate, 2nd Royal Scots.

Major A. W. Andrew, 116th Mahrattas, was detailed Fort Field Officer, from the 15th to the 19th instant, inclusive, vice Lieutenant R. M. Greig, 42nd Deoli Regiment relieved.

SOUTHERN ARMY ORDERS.

1st Brahmans.—Major W. B. Douglas, Double Company Officer, 8th Rajputs, on transfer, to be 3rd Double Company Commander and pro tem 2nd Double Company Commander. Dated 4th December.

Consequent on the transfer of Major Douglas, Captain H. T. Marshall, to be 4th Double Company Commander, and pro tem, 3rd Double Company Commander, vice Captain R. Hawkes, transferred to the 3rd Brahmans. Dated 4th December.

98th Infantry.—Captain V. F. W. Tregear, 3rd Double Company Commander, to be pro tem 2nd Double Company Commander, Captain W. E. Pye, 4th Double Company Commander, to be pro tem 3rd Double Company Commander, and Captain W. L. Cotton, Double Company Officer, to be pro tem. 4th Double Company Commander, vice Major R. W. Burton, seconded for employment with the Cantonment Magistrate's Department. Dated 19th July.

Captain F. Fisher, 2nd Double Company Commander, 107th Pioneers, to be pro tem. 2nd Double Company Commander, pending absorption, vice Captain V. F. W. Tregear, who reverts to his substantive appointment. Dated 11th November.

The following appointments are made in connection with the Artillery Practice Camps as stated, vice Lieutenant T. N. French relieved:—

Lieutenant J. D Belgrave, 76th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, to be Assistant Range Officer at Camp Kapra.

Lieutenant C. F. Potter, No. 6 Ammunition Column, Royal Field Artillery, to be Assistant Range Officer at Camp Birsandra.

Lieutenant R. H. Carrington, 8th Battery Royal Field Artillery, to be Assistant Range Officer at Camp Killod.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, JANUARY 16.

Two vacancies will shortly occur among Assistant-Adjutant-Generals on the Divisional Staff as Colonels Middleton and Linley, now on leave, are not returning to India.

The Command of the Meerut Division which falls vacant on the 30th of April will go to an Officer of the Indian Army in order to restore the balance of appointments between the British and Indian Services.

Major-General Alderson will take over charge of the Poona Division from Lieut-General Richardson next week.

Major-General Browne, Commanding the Lahore Division, proceeds home shortly on account of ill-health.

CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

Lieutenant-Colonel Carden, Royal Garrison Artillery, is posted as Commanding, Royal Artillery, Aden.

2nd Lieutenant Haukin, Royal Field Artillery, is posted to the 1st Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

Lieutenant, Chambers, No 3 Ammunition Column, and Lieutenant Milford, 1st Battery, Royal Field Artillery, are ordered Home.

On arrival in India, Captain Paul, Inspector of Ordnance Machinery, is posted to Karachi and Captain Rodd is transferred from Karachi to Aden.

The following appointments to the Staff have been approved.

Major S. King, Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Southern Army, to be Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, 1st Infantry Brigade, Secunderabad.

Captain Stewart, 39th Garhwalis to be Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Southern Army Musketry Staff.

Captain Boddam, 5th Gurkha Rifles to be Deputy Assistant Adjutant General Northern Army Musketry Staff.

Captain Williams, Hampshire Regiment, to be Deputy Assistant Adjutant General, Mandalay.

Captain Hutchinson, 41st Dogras, to be Brigade Major, Assam.

Captain Traill, East Lancashire Regiment, to be Brigade Major, Rangoon.

Major Baumgartner, East Lancashire Regiment, to be Brigade Major, Aden.

Captain Gregory, 19th Lancers Staff Captain, Peshawar Division, to be Brigade Major, Bannu.

Captain Deverell, West Yorkshire Regiment, to be Brigade Major, Presidency Brigade.

Colonel Rutherford, Principal Officer, Aldershot Command, has been selected to succeed Colonel J. A. Nunn as Principal Veterinary Officer in India. He embarks for India shortly.

It is understood that Colonel R. Pringle, Senior Veterinary Officer, Rawalpindi Division, will succeed Colonel Rutherford at Aldershot.

Rules regulating the banking of Regimental Funds are now published in an Indian Army Order.

AN OLD WOMAN BURNT TO DEATH.

CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

An old woman was burnt to death in a bustee fire at Cossipore last night.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

AFFAIRS IN ZULULAND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
COLOMBO, JANUARY. 16.

London, January 4.—Mr. Jellicoe, who has been retained to defend Dinizulu, left England on the 28th ultimo for Durban.

Lord Elgin has suggested to the Natal Government that Dinizulu's trial should await Mr. Jellicoe's arrival.

Colonel Mackenzie, commanding the Natal Forces, delays his departure from Zululand. He disapproves of the tour which Mr. Nathan proposes to make through Zululand in company with the principal Zulu Chiefs. He hopes that the tour will be postponed till martial law in Zululand has been repealed.

The Natal police made a night raid on a rebel hiding place in Zululand capturing a dozen armed natives believed to belong to a large gang of rebels.

The Natal police patrol suppressed a small party of Zulu rebels. Two rebels were killed and others escaped leaving rifles and bandoliers.

Mr. Nathan has postponed his tour.

Continental Cold Wave.

DEATH OF MEN AND CATTLE.

The temperature in Austria, Belgium and several other parts of the Continent ran down to zero yesterday. A number of persons were frozen to death.

Nineteen degrees of frost were registered at New Market and sixteen at Cambridge.

There have been several deaths in the provinces and scores of sheep perished in Swansea District.

Sensational Duma Trial.

During the trial of the Duma members, Ramisvill, one of the accused, created a sensation in Court by recalling Mr. Campbell-Bannerman's remark on hearing of the dissolution of the first Duma—"The Duma is dead; long live the Duma." He declared that if the accused possessed the sympathy of the British Prime Minister they were able to dispense with the compassion of the Russian Court of Justice.

Racial Riot in North Carolina.

Racial riots occurred at Bryson City, North Carolina. A huge Negro killed five whites and then escaped.

Rent War in New York.

The New York landlords propose to evict 10,000 tenants who have refused to pay rents unless reduced.

A girl named Newman, an ardent Socialist, is inciting immense crowds of tenants to organise passive resistance to the landlords.

General Booth's Anti-Suicidal Bureau.

General Booth's claims that the Salvation Army's Anti-Suicide Bureau saved 1,500 persons from self-destruction last year.

Lord Linlithgow's Generosity.

Owing to bad harvests Lord Linlithgow has remitted £5,000 of rents due by his tenants in Scotland.

Genoa-Lake Constance Canal.

Commada, a Milanese Engineer, has planned a canal to connect Genoa and Lake Constance. It will be 2161 miles long, will cross the Alps and Appenines and admit 600 ton vessels.

With the existing waterways being used, it will give a navigable channel 366 miles.

Stylish Girl Burglar.

A fashionably dressed girl, aged eighteen, belonging to a good German family, was, with her male companion, arrested at Lucerne, Switzerland, on a burglary charge.

The girl carried a complete set of burglars' tools, a considerable number of Bank Notes and much gold and jewellery.

She fired six shots fruitlessly at the Gendarmes and urged her companion to follow her example. But the man refrained from shooting. He declared to the Gendarmes subsequently that he was only a servant in the girl's employ.

Strike of London Motor 'Busmen.

One thousand motor 'busmen in London have gone on strike owing to employers offering to pay them per number to journeys instead of per day.

Launching of a German Battleship.

The battleship "Bayerne," the first German vessel of the Dreadnought type, will be launched at Wilhelmshaven at the end of next month.

Naval Estimates for the Future.

The British Navy League insists that the next Naval estimates will amount to £40,000,000 if Britain lays two keels for every one of Germany.

PROPOSED ADVISORY COUNCILS.

Rajah of Kollengode's Opinion.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, JANUARY 16.

The Rajah of Kollengode has written a statement of his opinions which have been published in reply to the scheme of the Government of India for the establishment of Advisory Councils and the extension of the present Imperial and Provincial Legislative Councils, and the Madras Government's Referendum on the same subject. The Rajah does not agree with all the Government's proposals, notably the Advisory Council of Chiefs and Notables and states the views with conciseness and moderation.

"YUGANTUR" SEDITION CASE

Printer Convicted and Sentenced.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

The Chief Presidency Magistrate here to-day sentenced Baikanta Acharia Printer of the "Yuganture" to two years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000, or in default six months' extra. Later on Atul. Ch. Chakravarty applied to be registered as Printer.

THEFT OF SILVER TPOPHIES.

Reward Offered.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, JANUARY 16.

A reward of Rs. 250 is offered for the recovery of the silver trophies stolen from the Sergeants' Mess of the Highland Light Infantry at Dinapore last week.

BOMBAY SCOTTISH EDUCATION SOCIETY'S SCHOOLS.

Annual Prize Day.

SPEECH BY THE HON. MR. MUIR-MACKENZIE.

THE prize distribution of the Bombay Scottish Education Society's Schools took place yesterday at the Town Hall before a large gathering of ladies and gentlemen. The Hon'ble Mr. Muir-Mackenzie presided and Mrs. Inglis gave away the prizes.

A programme of recitations was gone through, of which an action-song sung by the pupils of the John Connon School, who were dressed in picturesque Japanese costume, was greatly applauded.

The report for the past year, which was read to the meeting by the Rev. Mr. Crichton, showed that the school when first started was on a very modest scale, in the year 1857, under the united patronage and help of Dr. Wilson, Dr. Blaney, and others. But the number on the rolls gradually increased and the institution flourished. The year under report was a very successful one for the schools; the number of pupils on the rolls was much the same as last year; but the daily attendance had somewhat fallen in consequence of an unusual amount of sickness. Three, out of five sent up, had passed the Matriculation. The John Connon School held the Athletic Challenge Cup; the Cadet Corps was doing well.

The Rev. Mr. Cameron, who seconded the motion for the adoption of the report, expressed his gratification at Mr. L. J. Robertson's consenting to act as Chairman of the Society still.

The report was passed amidst cheers.

Mrs. Inglis gave away the prizes.

HON. MR. MUIR-MACKENZIE'S SPEECH.

The Hon'ble Mr. Muir-Mackenzie then addressed the assembly. He said:—Mr. Wilkinson, Ladies and Gentlemen—I should like in the first place to express my warm thanks for the honour which you have done me in asking me to preside on this occasion. It is a great satisfaction to me to be able, in my humble person, to represent the approval which is entertained by Government of the admirable efforts of this Society in the cause of the education of Indo-Europeans in this great city. I also wish to express my extreme regret that I should be here without my chief mainstay and support. As I have informed your Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Muir-Mackenzie is at this moment presiding at a meeting of the Hindu Ladies' Club to which she was long ago engaged. I am sorry that you should have the benefit of only the weaker half of the pair. These pleasant engagements come so fast and thick upon us, in the Bombay seasons, that a division of forces is at times inevitable.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I find the words which are being spoken by me on this occasion, have in previous reports been dignified with the name of an "address." My little efforts will not deserve any such high sounding appellation. An address generally signifies something long, and of the nature of a sermon. I shall relieve you at once by telling you that I intend to be brief while I shall not presume to preach. At the same time, my little speech will be so far like a sermon that I intend to take a text. That text, Ladies and Gentlemen, will be your late Principal Mr. McDonald, whose name figures in so many of your reports. Mr. McDonald came to this country some 41 years ago. I am not sure that he has ever left it. If he has, it has been for a very brief spell. He exemplifies in his person the fact that it is possible for a Scotchman, born and bred, by frugal living and high thinking to pursue a valuable and honourable career without interruption, in the climate of Bombay. As an official, however, belonging to a body much criticised at times for taking refuge in the hills, I feel a malicious satisfaction in noting that even Mr. McDonald is not above taking occasional breaths of fresh air at Mahableshwar to recruit his energies for work in Bombay. Mr. McDonald, I think, may be said to represent what I may call the power of the "tawse." (Laughter) I think it will not be impertinent on my part if I go so far as to express the suspicion that, as a wee laddie, he may have experienced that power on his own person. If that suspicion be correct, he will, I am sure, be the first to acknowledge that he is none the worse for it. But it is not to Mr. McDonald's experiences of this kind that I desire to allude. I am thinking of the 35 years during which he wielded this power of the "tawse" in these schools with excellent effect upon the pupils. From my personal knowledge I may venture to be sure that his wielding was exercised with judgment and moderation, not omitting, however, I expect, when required, a proper severity. At any rate, so highly was his wielding in school appreciated that his fellow-citizens by electing him to be their Chairman gave him the power of the "tawse" at their Corporation, and the Government selected him to symbolise that power by appointing him Sheriff of Bombay. His is a splendid example of what each boy in these school may and should aspire to be, an example of sturdy independence of character, and zeal for progress and reform, together with a keen advocacy of the best interests of India, an advocacy entirely compatible with enthusiastic loyalty to the British Government and system of administration, and determination to maintain intact the best principles which are associated with the British rule in India. He has also shown that a strong and loyal attitude can be accompanied by the friendliest intercourse and the warmest sympathy with his Indian fellow-citizens. No more important example can be given of what is required at the present day. Men like Mr. McDonald are the best answer to those who allege that inaccessibility and exclusive bearing are inalienable characteristics of the European who finds his life-work in this country. Men like Mr. McDonald are the best answer to those who allege that the European is incapable of mixing with and working with the Indian on equal terms. These allegations are freely flung about at the present time, and some countenance, I fear is given to them by persons of high consideration, I regard them as unmerited libels for the refutation of which I point to Mr. McDonald, and I ask the young people here to take him as a pattern of what they should strive to be and to do when they grow up.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I shall not attempt to review the results of the year's work and the condition of the schools, which I gather, however, to be well up to the high standard of efficiency which has been attained in the previous years. There is one point, however, on which I should like to dwell. I observe that you have a few scholarships. One of them for University education at Glasgow. I should be glad to see these multiplied, but I should also like to see provision made for scholarship to enable your students to pursue their studies at colleges in this country up to the University degree. It is necessary, in these days, that Indo-Europeans, in order to succeed in after-life, should be able to compete on equal terms with pure Indians and should not remain behind them in educational attainments. With the object of enabling them to do this, the revision of the Educational Code for Indo-European schools, has been undertaken and considerable sums of money are likely to be spent with the object of improving educational facilities for Indo-Europeans. It is now the business of the community to take full advantage of these facilities and one of the first advantages, which I imagine should be taken is not to let education stop at the Matriculation Examination. I should like to see in your future reports a record of University successes. One of the difficulties in achieving such success is, I know, the expense of living. The Indo-European has on an average a higher standard of comfort than the average Indian. It is probably, therefore, necessary, in order to get the best men to go through our universities in India, that they should receive help to maintain themselves throughout the course instead of being obliged to earn their living before they can complete it or perhaps even take part in it. I should dearly like to see some Indo-European M. A's, L.L.B's, B.A's, B.Sc's, M.B. C's, and L.C.E's. There may be more of them than I know of, if so, it is worth while to record their names and give them honourable place in the list of your school heroes. I should also like to see set on foot a movement to obtain funds for scholarships which are necessary to increase the numbers of Indo-Europeans attending our University. (Applause.)

I rejoice to see that special attention is paid to athletic exercises and games. I am an entire believer in their value for the development of character and moral stamina. They are essential for the promotion of physcal health, energy, a spirit of adventure and enterprise, decision, temper, absolute fairness, leadership and responsibility. I hope that the mention of hockey and football does not signify that there is any neglect of cricket. I am an immense believer in the virtues of that game—its bowling which calls for mariners' boldness and patience in attack, the fielding with its lessons of co-operation, and of patience again combined with constant alertness and the batting with its splendid opportunities of standing up to the lightning delivery of a hard ball, and the development of the invaluable sense that it is quite possible to overcome, and right to stand up despite the odds of more than ten men to one.

I shall now speak a few words directly to the children. I am now engaged in a very pleasant function for the glorifying the good and successful children. May their goodness and success extend to their after-life and may they win many honourable distinctions and opportunities for useful and profitable work for themselves and their fellowmen. But I always have had and never lose an opportunity of expressing my sympathy and best wishes for the unsuccessful and even for the naughty boys and girls. It may be some encouragement to them to know that I was myself at school an extremely naughty boy and that my success at school was often marred by my naughtiness. Well, my dear boys and girls, if every good and successful child at school had the good fortune which has attended my subsequent career and which has placed me in the happy position of talking to you to-day, there would be an end of perplexities of the psalmist when he complained of the calamities of the righteous and the flourishing of the wicked like the green bay tree. Let those of you who are still behind in the race take courage. Remember that there is plenty of time before you and that if you will pull yourselves together you may catch up and even pass many of those who have made the better start. At the same time, also remember that the longer you take over making that pull the harder and more difficult it will be. Do not put it off. Take a hard pull and a strong pull while you still have the help of devoted teachers to assist you in making it effectual and may all the good luck attend you in your future careers that has been the lot of the humble individual who addresses you. Ladies and Gentlemen, I conclude by wishing every success to these admirable Institutions.

A hearty vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Scott, Principal of the Wilson College, to the Hon. Mr. Muir-Mackenzie and to Mrs. Inglis, terminated the proceedings.

THE CORRICK FAMILY IN POONA.

Performance at the Gymkhana Club.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
POONA, JANUARY 16.

The Corrick family after a series of misfortunes, due to accident on the Bhor Ghat, opened at the Gymkhana Club to-night and met with a most enthusiastic reception by the crowded house. The entertainment was decidedly one of the best that has ever been witnessed in Poona and it will undoubtedly attract crowded houses in Bombay, for where they leave to-morrow.

MR. MAURICE E. BANDMANN will to-night present The Wonderful Corricks in the Gaiety Theatre, and judging from the glowing accounts we have heard and read of this gifted family, and the successful tour they have had round the world, music loving residents of Bombay have a more than usually fine treat in store. The Corricks provide a programme characteristic for its high class and artistic excellence and consists of orchestral, vocal, hand bell and humorous selections, of a varied order. Miss Alice Corrick is the principal attraction, and is the possessor of a remarkably powerful and highly trained soprano voice which has won for her much eulogistic reference in the journals of each city she has appeared in. Mr. Chris Young is a society entertainer of the cleverest and wittiest order, and his humorous sketches are quite a feature of the entertainments. A novelty is the cornet solos of young Miss Ruby Corrick, and the orchestral and hand-bell items, as well as the singing of Miss Ethel Corrick are spoken of as exceptionally clever and artistic. The Corricks carry their own electric light plant, and their engine and dynamo will generate the light for the extensive out and indoor illuminations which are features of the management's arrangements.

The Box plan is on view at S. Rose and Co's.

FRANCO-BRITISH EXHIBITION.

The following letter has been received by the Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, who will be glad to hear from those who are desirous of exhibiting. It may however be explained here that Forms of Application, and all other information regarding the Indian Section of the Franco-British Exhibition, can be obtained in India direct from the Official Agents of the Indian Committee:—Messrs. King and Company, Bombay Messrs. King, Hamilton and Company, Calcutta, and their Correspondents. Messrs. Gordon Woodroffe and Company, Madras, Messrs. A. Scott and Company Rangoon.

But all applications for space in the Indian Section should be addressed to B. J. Rose, Esq., Secretary, Indian Executive Sub-Committee, Franco-British Exhibition, India Office, London, S. W.

Indian Section Franco-British Exhibition, India Office, London, S. W. 27th December 1907.

J. B. Leslie-Rogers, Esq., Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, Bombay.

DEAR SIR,—In continuation of Sir William Lee-Warner's latter of the 1st November, I am directed to enclose six copies of the prospectus and plans of the Indian Section of the Franco-British Exhibition. The Indian Committee are anxious that the real importance of the export trade of India should be more prominently brought to the notice of the people of this country than has been the case at former exhibitions. With this view they hope, with the cordial assistance of the Indian commercial community, to be able to equip the "six special courts" they have allotted for the purpose. In order to attract public attention, it is proposed to have an appropriate and typical tableau at one end of each of these courts, the ordinary exhibits of the group being arranged in close proximity. This method of directing attention to the valuable productions of a country, has been successfully adopted at recent Continental International Exhibitions.

As the Bombay Cotton Industry holds such a commanding position, the Indian Executive Committee would be glad to receive cordial and active assistance of your Chamber, as well as that of the Bombay Millowners' Association and the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, in obtaining a representative and worthy collection of Exhibits for the special Cotton and Cotton Manufactures Court of the Indian Pavilion.

For the tableau for this Court it is suggested that perhaps a large coloured transparency of a typical Indian Cotton field, as a background with cotton plants etc. and pickers in the foreground, would be suitable. This is merely given as an idea, anything else considered more suitable could, of course, be substituted. Such a tableau would be sure to command attention, and it could be easily constructed in this country at a moderate cost, all that would be needed is a few good photographs (coloured, if possible) of the scene to be painted, and of the objects, people, etc., to be modelled.

The Committee trust that this may commend itself to you and the Bombay commercial public, and that they may be favoured with as representative a collection of the raw and industrial products of the Bombay Presidency as possible. They would be much obliged by the earliest intimation as to the Exhibits they are to expect through the good offices of your Chamber.—I am, Dear Sir, Yours faithfully.

(Sd) B. J. ROSE.

COLONEL BROWNRIGG'S CONDITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, JANUARY 16.

There is a decided improvement in Lieutenant Colonel H. J. W. Brownrigg's condition. It has been possible to remove him to the General Hospital.

SIXTY members of the Permanent Way Institut were yesterday shown over the Calcutta docks.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

Salaries of Municipal Officers.

A meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held in the Municipal Chambers yesterday afternoon, the Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldas D. Thackersey, the President, presiding

PRINTING CONTRACT.

Mr. Joseph Baptista asked for and obtained priority for the consideration of the following resolution of the Standing Committee:—

"That the report, dated the 20th December 1907, of the Sub-Committee appointed by Standing Committee resolution dated the 18th December 1907, regarding tenders received for Municipal printing, be approved and adopted. That the letter from the Commissioner, No. 29604, dated the 17th December 1907, together with the Sub-Committee's report thereon, be forwarded to the Corporation with the recommendation of the Standing Committee that sanction be given to contracts being entered into by the Commissioner for Municipal printing for a period of 3 years as follows:—

Simple printing such as letter forms, memo. forms, &c. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Annual Report, Voters' List, Election Roll, Budget, &c. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Agenda and Proceedings of the Standing Committee and the Corporation, &c. The Akhtar-i-Soudagur Press.

Books, small, ruled and printed, such as Despatch Books, Receipt Books, &c. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Books large, printed and ruled, such as Registers of Bills, &c. The British India Press.

Large Forms, printed and ruled. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Forms of Contract. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Large books, printed on handmade paper, such as Ledgers, Account Books, &c. The Duftar Ashkara and Rast Goftar Printing Press.

Books, and Forms, lithographed. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

Books printed and ruled, other than those included in Divisions IV and V. The Bombay Gazette, Limited.

In moving the resolution for the sanction of the Corporation as asked for by the Standing Committee Mr. Baptista said that there was only one change; the "Bombay Gazette" got many of the contracts which formerly went to the "Times of India". The Commissioner had made inquiry and had come to the conclusion that the "Bombay Gazette" was perfectly able to carry out the terms of the contract. They saved a large amount (of Rs. 10,000) per annum thereby, and he hoped the Standing Committee resolution would meet with the acceptance of the Corporation.

Mr. Motilal Jamnadas Sevaklal seconded the proposition, which was agreed to.

The consideration of the Budget estimates for the year 1908-09 was then resumed.

The Corporation adopted the various estimates recommended by the Standing Committee in regard to the various items of income, excepting the estimate for the town duties, further consideration of which is to be resumed on Monday.

The Corporation then passed on to the consideration of the expenditure side of the Budget.

THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY.

Coming to the Account and Expenditure Audit Establishment, Mr. Baptista moved that the amount entered in the Budget, namely, Rs 71,124 be adopted.

Mr. Jafferbhoy Rahimtoola seconded the proposition.

Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsey moved an amendment that the estimate be so increased as to allow of a personal allowance of Rs. 300 per mensem being given to Mr. W. E. Waite, the Chief Accountant, from 1st April, 1908. Mr. Dwarkadas said that Mr. Waite deserved the extra allowance as the work of his department had considerably increased during the past few years.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin seconded the amendment.

Mr. D. E. Wacha moved another amendment fixing the personal allowance at Rs. 100 per mensem. He said that personal allowances were meant for meritorious services only. The mere fact of an officer having served for a long time did not entitle him to claim a personal allowance. He, however, was not opposed altogether to giving Mr. Waite an allowance and proposed his amendment accordingly.

Mr. Sarafali Mamooji seconded the amendment.

The Hon. Mr. Dikshit moved a third amendment fixing the personal allowance at Rs. [illegible]00 per mensem.

Mr. Mantri seconded.

Dr. N. H. E. Sukhia thought that no case had been made out for granting Mr. Waite a personal allowance.

Mr. S. M. Edwardes said:—The question now before the Corporation can be resolved into two heads, which I propose to answer separately, namely, (1). Is Rs. 1,200 per mensem a sufficient salary for the Chief Accountant of the Bombay Municipality? and (2). Is Mr Waite himself deserving of a special personal allowance of Rs. 300? Taking the first query, let me point out quite briefly the ordinary duties of the Chief Accountant. Firstly every single proposal involving expenditure passes through his hands and has to be scrutinised and noted on by him before it goes to the Commissioner. You may gather what this means by remembering what the annual expenditure of the Municipality now is. Secondly, he is responsible for framing the Budget estimates of income and expenditure; he has to watch variations under both heads and examine departmental demands for further funds. Thirdly, he has to scrutinise all proposed contracts to receive all tenders and advice the Commissioner whether such tenders are fair, and to report upon the variations in contracts proposed by the executive officers of the Municipality. Fourthly, he has to certify all transfers of funds from one Budget head to another and analyse proposed increases of expenditure. Fifthly, he is the interpreter to the Commissioner of leave, pension, allowance and gratuity rules. He has to record the service of each permanent Municipal employe and safeguard the seniority of each man when new posts are created. Sixthly, he has to audit all salary bills and pay-sheets, comprising amounts which aggregate an immense sum in the year: he has to compare each bill for store purchases with the sanction accorded and compare bills for work done with the contracts passed by the Commissioner or the Standing Committee. Seventhly, he has to keep a continuous watch over the stores balances and see that they are kept within reasonable bounds. During Mr. Waite's tenure of office I believe the balances have been reduced by six lakhs of rupees. He has to advice regarding the raising of new loans, the investment of surplus and other funds, the interest accruing from which amounts to one and half lakhs a year; he has to see that sinking funds are invested on due date, and that interest accruing on such funds are at once re-invested,—operations which amount to about 8 lakhs a year. He has to report on all letters from Government regarding Municipal finance, and generally speaking he appears as the chief actor in transactions which total during the year to between six and seven crores of rupees. It will, I think, be recognised that the Chief Accountant's responsibility is very great and that Rs.1,200 a month, which is less than the pay of Deputy Accountant General, is hardly commensurate with such responsibility. In some ways his responsibility is greater than that of the Executive Engineer and the Health Officer who receive much higher salaries by reason of their professional qualifications; and it is on this account that I should like to see his salary approximate rather more closely to the salaries of the heads of the two big departments. And now I turn to the personal side of the question, and discuss the question whether Mr. Waite himself is worthy of an extra allowance. Mr. President, in these days Municipal finance is flourishing, and the question of the hour is rather what tax can we reduce or abolish than what tax can we raise or impose afresh. But this was not always so. If Mr. Harvey were here, he could tell you the history of Municipal finance in the days when plague first appeared and the Municipality was saddled with an appalling burden of expenditure at a juncture when its finances were not nearly so flourishing as they now are. And he would tell you that to Mr. Waite more than to any other were due the savings which could be and were effected, and that Mr. Waite's services to himself and to the Municipality during that period of stress were admirable. In 1899 Mr. Waite effected a direct saving of Rs. 1,11,000 on camps, disinfectants and miscellaneous works; in 1900-01 he got the excessive staff maintained by Mr. James reduced by Rs. 10,000; in 1901-02 he aided Mr. Harvey to save nearly Rs. 39,000 on the grain contract; and in 1902-03 and 1903-04 he again effected savings under the same head which amounted to half a lakh of rupees in the two years. He has effected a saving of Rs. 4,000 by examining the charges of drain cleansing; he detected the existence of a combination among dealers of stores in 1904-05 and saved Rs. 20,000 by insisting on tenders being re-invited; and in the current year 1907-08 he has saved Rs 2,500 in one little item alone by keeping himself in touch with the market rates and insisting upon the invitation of tenders. In addition to this, Mr. President, Mr. Waite has revised the system of stores accounts, has written a stores manual, and for two years supervised the practical working of the stores in addition to his own duties. He has re-organised the system of audit in his office and has partly written a manual for the Chief Accountant's Office and has undertaken the duties of a stores test audit. I feel sure, Mr. President, that the Corporation will recognise the value of Mr. Waite's services in the past and after hearing this rather lengthy account of both the Chief Accountant's ordinary duties and Mr. Waite's personal activities, they will agree with me that he has earned our thanks and fully merited our bounty, I think, Sir, that Rs. 300 per mensem would be a suitable recognition of good work performed in both foul and fair weather.

Dr. Jehangir J. Cursetji said that in view of the opinions expressed by the different Municipal Commissioners regarding the work of Mr. Waite, he thought that the officer richly deserved a substantial allowance.

The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta hoped that the Corporation would come to a unanimous decision in the matter. In the past the Corporation had adopted the policy of treating their officers liberally in the matter of salaries and allowances in the event of a good case having been made out, so much so that it was some time stated that compared with Government departments they paid their officers very high salaries. It seemed to him that it was a policy which encourged their officers to do their work as well as possible, and he for one would not wish to depart from that general policy. In this particular case he thought that one remark that had fallen from the lips of Mr. Edwardes deserved special consideration, and it was very desirable that the Standing Committee and the Commissioner should jointly consider the subject as pointed out by Mr. Edwardes. It was this that the time had now come when they must revise the salary of the Chief Accountant. There was no doubt that the responsibilities attaching to his office had increased. Times had changed since the maximum of the Chief Accountant's salary was first fixed, and he thought the argument of increased cost of living applied equally to a low paid clerk as to a highly paid officer, though perhaps for different reasons. In view of the fact that the salaries of other high officers of the Municipality had been increased it seemed to him inconsistent that the salary of the Chief Accountant should be left out of consideration. He further thought that amongst the duties enumerated by Mr. Edwardes, there were some which ought not to have been imposed upon the Chief Accountant. He suggested that Mr Wacha and Mr. Dikshit should withdraw their amendments in favour of Mr. Dwarkadas.

Mr. Wacha said he would rather withdraw his amendment in favor of Mr. Baptista's proposition.

Mr. Cowasji Jahangir Cowasji thought that Mr. Waite's salary was a sufficient one. He refused to compare the post of the Chief Accountant with those of the Executive Engineer and the Health Officer. He however considerad that an allowance of Rs. 100 would amply cover the case.

Mr. Harrison said that he was satisfied from his information that Mr. Waite deserved consideration at their hands. Some time ago he had occasion to ask Mr. Harvey what he thought of Mr. Waite's work, and Mr. Harvey replied that he had saved a great deal of the Corporation's money and was a very efficient officer. He thought that the practice of giving personal allowances was not a desirable one. It was a great evil to constantly vote for such allowances. It tended to produce a lot of undesirable lobbies, one member asking another if he would vote for a particular proposition. It would be very much better to make salaries incremental. In future they would be wise if they raised the pay of the Chief Accountant from Rs. 1,200 to Rs. 1500, if not higher.

Mr. Wacha having withdrawn his amendment, Mr. Dikshit's amendment was put to the vote and lost. Mr. Dwarkadas' amendment was carried. The estimate of the expenditure of the Accounts Establishment was changed accordingly.

Mr. Baptista next moved that the estimate of expenditure for the Public Works Department be fixed at Rs. 66,409.

Mr. Manmohundas Ramji moved and Mr. Dhondi seconded an amendment that the salary of the Executive Engineer be fixed at Rs 2,000 instead of Rs. 1,800 as at present.

The Hon. Mr. Dikshit moved another amendment fixing the salary of the Executive Engineer at Rs. 1,900.

Mr. Jehangir B. Petit was opposed to either amendment. He thought such a proposal as an increase of pay should come from the Municipal Commissioner instead of from a private member.

The Commissioner said the reason why he had not provided for an increase in Mr. Hall's salary in the Budget was that when on a previous occasion he made such provision the Standing Committee ruled him out on the ground that it was the privilege of a member to bring up such proposal. As to Mr. Hall he might say he was a very capable officer and most attentive to his duties.

The Hon. Sir Pherozeshah thought that the Corporation would act wisely if they deferred consideration of the subject until they had disposed of the report of their committee dealing with the question of separating the Water Engineer's department from that of the Executive Engineer. It would cause a delay of only two or three months, but they would be then in a better position to consider what should be the salaries of the different officers of this large department. He was in no way opposed to granting an increase to Mr Hall. He suggested that the amendments before the Corporation might be withdrawn.

On a vote being taken Mr. Manmohanda's amendment was lost and that of Mr. Dikshit was carried and adopted as a substantive proposition.

The Corporation then adjourned.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Mr. F. W. Allison, I. C. S., to be Superintendent, Managed Estates, Kathiawar, vice Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, I. C. S.

Mr. L. Graham, I. C. S., Assistant Collector and Magistrate of the First Class in the District of Dharwar, is empowered to try in a summary way all the offences mentioned or referred to in Section 260 of the Code of C. P, and to hear appeals from convictions by Magistrates of the Second and Third Classes under Section 407 (2) of the Code.

Mr. W. B. Manley, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Karachi, passed on the 16th December an examination in Sindhi according to the test relating to Police Officers, by Government Notification No. 2511, dated the 2nd April.

The resignation of Sir Sassoon Jacob David, Kt., of the post of Honorary Presidency Magistrate, Bombay.

Mr. E. F. Green to be District Superintendent of Police, Ahmednagar, vice Mr. F. H. Warden, proceeding on leave.

Mr. D. Davies, on return to duty, to be District Superintendent of Police, Poona.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Hazelgrove, Commanding Officer of the Santa Cruz Cantonment, to be a Magistrate of the First Class within the limits of that Cantonment, and invested Lieutenant-Colonel Hazelgrove with power to try summarily.

Mr. K. C. Rushton to be Superintendent of Police, Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway, vice Mr. W. M. F Clarke proceeding on leave.

Mr. H. Stanley to act as District Superintendent of Police, Kaira, vice Mr. K. C. Rushton, or pending further orders.

Mr. E. P. White to do duty as Assistant Superintendent of Police, Thana.

Mr. E. G. L. Laird-Gregor, I.C.S., Forest Settlement Officer, Kanara, is granted such privilege leave as may be due to him on the 25th February, or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved, in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to nineteen months.

License to solemnize marriages is granted to the Reverend Robert Ernest Hume of the American Marathi Mission.

License to grant certificates of marriages between Native Christians is granted to the Reverend John Mallelu of the American Marathi Mission.

Mr. P. Wren, M.A. (Oxon.), Head Master, N. J. High School, Karachi, has been granted furlough on medical certificate for six months with effect from the 19th December.

Major W. S. P. Ricketts, M. B., I. M. S., on the expiration of his deputation, to act as Civil Surgeon, Broach, pending further orders.

Bombay Volunteer Rifles.—The Reverend Ernest Reginald Hull, S. J., resigns his appointment as Honorary Chaplain with effect from the 30th December.

Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, I. C. S., to be Under Secretary to Government, Political, Judicial and Seperate Departments, with effect from 4th December vice Mr. P. W. Monie, I.C.S.

Bombay Volunteer Rifles.—The Reverend John Baptist Bartholome, S. J., to be Honorary Chaplain with effect from the 31st December, vice the Reverend E. R. Hull, S.J., resigned.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

The following are excerpts from the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 7th December:—

Read letter from the Chief Engineer, addressed to the Traffic Manager, dated 9th December, reporting that the roofs of Port Trust buildings Nos. 43 and 247 (Victoria and Bombay Saw Mill Buildings) are in a very bad condition and will cost a large sum to renew and suggesting that as the buildings are not much occupied they be sold for removal and the ground levelled and utilized for storage purposes.

Read letter from the Traffic Manager, dated 18th December, recommending that the two Port Trust buildings above referred to be sold for removal and the ground levelled as suggested by the Chief Engineer.

Resolution.—Port Trust buildings Nos. 43 and 247 should be sold for removal. The proceeds of the sale should be applied as laid down in Section 31 of the Port Trust Act.

The following is the pilotage statement:—

	For week ending 3rd Jan. 1908.	Total from 1st April 1907 to 3rd Jan. 1908.	For week ending 3rd Jan. 1907.	Total from 1st April 1906 to 3rd January 1907.
Vessels piloted into Harbour	21	677	26	914
" out of "	23	679	25	907
" transported	11	663	9	672
" attended to	1	61	1	136
" warped	...	54	...	24

HINDU LADIES' SOCIAL AND LITERARY CLUB.

Mrs. Muir-Mackenzie's Instructive Address.

The 14th Annual General Meeting of the Hindu Ladies' Social and Literary Club was held last evening in the spacious Hall of Mrs. Harischandra Pandurang Pitale's bungalow at Cowasji Patel Tank Road, Mrs. Muir-Mackenzie presiding.

There was a large gathering of ladies—European, Mahomedan, Hindu and Parsee—amongst whom were the following:—

Maharani Saheb Lakshmibai Mulhar Rao Gaikwad of Baroda, Lady Bhatawdekar, Lady and Miss Jehangir, Lady Karimbhoy Ebrahim, Mrs. Gulam Hussein Karimbhoy, Mrs. Sassoon, Mrs. N. N. Patel, Mrs. Macbeth, Mrs. Cecil L. Burns, Mrs. W. H. Brady, Miss Wilson, Miss Paterson, Miss Dhunjibhai Nowroji, Mrs. Dikshit, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. J. R. Patell, Mrs. M H. Hakim, Mrs. Kazi Kabiruddin, Mrs. V. K. Barulkar, Mrs. K. Z. Aga Mustafakhan, Mrs. G. N. Nadkarni, Mrs. Jehangir B. Dalal, Mrs. Macmie, Mrs. Frank Anderson, Miss (Dr.) Benson, Miss Zainulabedeen Shah, Mrs. Coochik Shah, Mrs. Moochool Shah, Mrs. Rustomji Byramjee Jeejeebhoy, Mrs. Rustom M. Chichgar, Mrs. Quick, Mrs. R. S. Jayakar, Miss Ackland, Mrs. Nanu N. Kothare, Mrs. Daji A. Khare, Mrs. Nikambe, Mrs. and Miss Herlekar, Mrs. Vithaldas D. Thakersey, Miss Shereen M. Cursetji, Mrs. Laxmibai Joshi, Bai Sonabai Jayakar, Mrs. Laxmidas Bhimji, Mrs. Harischandra P. Pitale, Mrs. Lalji Bhimji, Dr. Kashibai Karmarkar, Dinshah Begum, Mrs. Shephard, Mrs. Rajabally V. Patel, Mrs. & Miss Ismail Jan Mahomed, Mrs. Anandaji Nanji, Miss Wadya, Miss Shereen Kabraji, Miss Piroja Kabraji, and Miss Macomish.

The proceedings opened by Miss Humati R. Kothare playing on the harmonium and Miss Shantabai Herlekar singing a welcome song. Mrs. Kothare then proposed and Mrs. Umabai Khare seconded that Mrs. Muir-Mackenzie should occupy the Chair.

Mrs. Bablibai Pitale, the Secretary of the Club, then read the report of the last year's working of the Club, in Marathi, which was then translated into English by Miss Curshedji.

The report showed that 31 weekly meetings were held regularly at Mrs. Bablibai Pitale's house, the average attendance being 20 to 40 as against 30 to 40 of last year. Various subjects were discussed both in Marathi and Gujrathi. Some days were also spent in doing some fancy and plain needle-work. H. H. Lakshmibai Maharani Saheb Gaikwad of Baroda was kind enough to hand to the President of this Club in the year 1906 a sum of Rs. 100 for opening a Fabric and Glass-painting Class, which was opened under the able tuition of Miss Jayaji Goorji Nazar, and this Class is still continuing its work. Her Highness had given another grant of Rs. 25 monthly during the year. The Begum Saheb of Janjira has given a donation of Rs. 200 for opening a class in which the old fashioned embroidery of India would be taught, and the Committee were pleased to note that such a Class was opened in Mrs. Manakbai Kothare's Indu Bhuvan, where many members of the Club are taking instructions in this useful art.

After the reading of the report the President delivered a most interesting and instructive address which was listened to with great attention. In the course of her address Mrs. Muir Mackenzie said:—

It gives me great pleasure to preside this afternoon on the occasion of the Annual General Meeting of the Hindu Ladies' Social Club. It is very delightful to meet so many Hindu ladies and it is a privilege difficult of attainment. Like the fragrant fascinating violets, you hide yourselves so securely that we who would much love to meet you and be friends, find it really most difficult to do so. If you will bear with me for a short time this afternoon, I am going to plead with you on this point. I have tried in Poona to persuade Hindu ladies to come to the Club we have formed there. I went to some of the Hindu houses where I was most kindly welcomed. Some of the ladies did promise to come. Now and then they do come and a very few play badminton, but I regret that on the whole they do not seem to care about the Club. I believe they think it is too frivolous a side of life, and that playing games is perhaps a waste of time. I can sympathise with their view and I can sympathise too with your love of home. Home is indeed the dearest place on earth and I think many a married woman whether she belongs to the East or the West could find her whole happiness and her life's work in her home. But over and over again, Duty calls her forth to play a hard, difficult part in this world's history. The world to reach perfection must feel the active, beautiful influence of Femininity in every department of life. This thought is scarcely concrete enough perhaps to trouble many of us closely, but another aspect of this question does touch every one of us. When children appear in our homes what do they demand of their mothers? Their souls ask for spiritual food, for space and light into which to stretch and grow. Their minds ask for intellectual stimulus and nourishment, their little bodies cry out for exercise and games, so that their muscles may become hard, and they may learn physical endurance. Shall mothers deny their boy-children and their girls what is necessary to them? Will the mother whose outlook on life in cramped by the four walls of her home learn the wisest way in which to educate her children morally, mentally and physically? The necessity for physical exercise is more and more insisted upon to-day. However beautiful ideals are, can they flourish in stunted bodies and weak physical brains? No, no the body must have an equal chance. Therefore I beg when these new ideas of Clubs for games are brought to you for approval, do not turn away and say "they have no deep meaning, they are only for amusement which we despise, we will have nothing to do with them." You with your beautiful solemn ideas of life and duty can do much good in the world by mixing with it. The world is perhaps too pleasure-loving and frivolous a place, and so we have great need to feel this lovely influence which you bring with you. The world is powerless to hurt, you but you can do good to the world. I fear I weary you, but I have long had it in my heart to speak these words and I am so glad to be allowed to say it here in this interesting Social Club whose activities for good ever seem to be on the increase. I know your founder the revered Mr. Justice Ranade would say something of the same nature as I say, were he with us to-day. This Club is very active in benevolent works and in intellectual endeavour, and we can judge from its aims and ideals what Hindu ladies regard as a model Club; but might you not think it good to spread your ideas among other communities by mixing more freely with them I hope, too, when in the future other clubs with different ideals are formed, that you will like to join them, and it will be pleasant for you to remember that this Club founded eleven years ago was the first Ladies' Club ever seen in Bombay. You may indeed feel proud that your community leads the way. Emerson said a very wise thing when he insisted that "all are needed by each one." If you believe this, then you see that the world needs you and that you have something also to learn from the world; and so, again, as I bid you farewell and wish this Club an ever increasing sphere of usefulness, I will beg you to think whether it is not possible for you to include more active contact with the world in your scheme of life.

The proceedings terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to the President.

LADY CLARKE AT THE J. J. HOSPITAL.

Her Excellency Lady Clarke accompanied by Dr. Coghill visited the J. J. Hospital on Tuesday evening.

Her Excellency was received by Lieut.-Colonel H. P. Dimmock, M. D., I. M. S., Senior Medical Officer, Lieut.-Colonel W. H. Quicke, F. R. C. S., I. M. S., Senior Surgeon, Lieut.-Colonel L F. Childe, M. B., I. M. S., First Physician, Lieut.-Colonel C. H. L. Meyer, M. D., I. M. S., 2nd Physician, Major A Street, F. R. C. S., I. M. S., Second Surgeon and Sister Mary Constance, Sister-in-Charge of the Nursing Staff.

Her Excellency was conducted over the whole of the main building.

She also inspected the New Wadia House for Nurses.

Her Excellency was then conducted to the Bai Motlibai Hospital for maternity cases and the Sir Dinshaw Petit Hospital for women and children.

Before leaving, Her Excellency expressed herself thoroughly satisfied with all she had seen.

ESPERANTO.

At Dr. Pollen's lecture on Wednesday evening at the Young Men's Christian Association, the lecturer read the subjoined letters:—

Lewes, Nov. 22nd 1906.

Dear Mr. Birrell,—In the few hurried words we had in the Corridor of the House last night about recommending Dr. L. Zamenhof for the Nobel Peace Prize, you said you hated the very idea of any Universal Language. So do I—and so does anyone who has made Eastern and Western languages one of the chief studies of his life (as I have). But "Esperanto" is not and was never intended to be a "Universal" Language. It is in no sense a Jacob. It is to be the second language of the world, very much like what Hindustani is to India. It will not supplant—or hurt or impede any national or natural tongue—but will help all!

It is slowly but surely making its way and being accepted in Japan, China, Russia—both America and Continental Europe—and is spreading throughout Great and Greater Britain.

We Esperantists seek no favour from anyone—and we are not asking for money!—But we demand a fair field; and I earnestly deprecate the light and airy way in which Leaders like yourself waive the whole thing aside as something beneath notice without even glancing at it, or giving a thought to its real merits and great possibilities.

Esperanto has, however, come to stay and to triumph in spite of all obstacles, and Dr. Zamenhof (the modest genius who has freely given it to the world without a thought of self profit) has laboured at it for a lifetime, in the hope that its adoption may help forward his great and noble ideal—peace and justice—amongst the nations of the earth. He well deserves the Nobel Prize, and I hope that at any rate some members of the British Parliament may recommend him for it.—Yours sincerely,

J. POLLEN.

II.

The Grand Hotel, Eastbourne, Nov. 23rd 1906.

Dear Sir,—I wrote to Mr. Birrell yesterday from Court.—I fear a hurried letter which should have been addressed to you—but I was most anxious to at once remove an erroneous impression in his mind with regard to "Esperanto," and I forgot for the moment that the Minister for Education has so much to do and think about, that he should be approached through his Private Secretary.

Mr. Birrell seemed to think that "Esperanto" aimed at being a Universal Language in the sense of being a supplanter and that it would, in some mysterious way, militate against the spread of English. This, of course, it can never do! If "in the decree of Providence the edict has gone forth that English shall be the Language most spoken on this earth of ours"—Esperanto will help—not hinder, this devoutly-to-be-wished-for consummation.

Esperanto, as a help language, is the work of a man of genius, and satisfactorily solves the problem that has been puzzling experts for two or three hundred years. It has no rival, and, if it fails, the attempt to introduce a workable code language for the benefit of civilized mankind may be abandoned in despair. If this language of Hope does not succeed, nothing ever will.

I am no ultra-sanguine day-dreamer but a practical administrator (as my past record proves) and, in the matter of languages, I know what I am talking about.

No man of common sense who has ever looked into Esperanto can throw it aside as a day-dream or a matter of no moment.

It is true none of the Rulers in Israel have joined us, and no one has helped us with gifts of gold, or political influence; but Esperanto, because of its inherent truth and practical utility, is spreading all over the world in Japan, China, the Americas, the Russias and throughout Great and Greater Britain, and thoughtful men see in it a great hope for the very near future.

I know Roosevelt and Carnegie think English will do what we expect from Esperanto. But what we aim at is rapid inter-comprehensibility. Esperanto can be accepted as a code enabling nations to understand one another in a comparatively short time, say within ten or twenty years, whereas it will take English hundreds of years before the nations accept it as a medium for inter-communication—if ever they do. I would ask you kindly to place these views before Mr. Birrell.

He will then see why it was that I suggested that Dr. Zamenhof the gifted thinker-out of this language of Hope was a fit and proper person to be recommended for the Nobel Peace Prize.

In conclusion, perhaps I may be allowed to express the hope that the Department of Education will not look with disfavour on the spread of Esperanto.

The auxiliary language impairs or destroys nothing, but helps all, and it is at any rate entitled to a fair field. May I go further and say that as a young and struggling idea framed for the good of the people it ought to command all the favour a great Department like yours can afford to give.—Yours very truly,

J. POLLEN.

To the Private Secretary to The Right Hon'ble A. Birrell.

BOMBAY TELEPHONES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—A new era in independent journalism seems to have commenced, when your morning contemporary arraigns a public company without a public outcry on the unsupported testimony of "A Correspondent," knowing full well that the would-be humorous but altogether nonsensical vapourings of "A Correspondent" cannot, when supported by a sub-editorial, have any but a prejudicial effect on a public company.

When, in addition, it extends its "sympathy" to the public it is time that a word should be said on behalf of a company which for years has rendered efficient service and which, to anyone conversant with the difficulties attendant on all telephone services throughout the world, has discharged its obligations on the whole in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. The Telephone Company, Bombay, is not a philanthropic institution any more than your esteemed contemporary. It can effect improvements only by degrees and no one should be more conversant than your contemporary with the many improvements made in recent years in the telephone service of the city.

What an impartial critic would want to know is not if an ignorant and possibly impatient user of the telephone had his left ear sharply bitten, or felt an impossible electric shock, or if after dinner potations affected his hearing, or an unhappy household or an irritating "boy" or "hamal" transported him, alas! but so newly arrived, to Hades; but how it happens that a paper with pretensions to impartial judgment, can lend itself to the condemnation of a well managed company on general "ex-parte" and what would appear to be totally unsubtantial grounds?—Yours &c.,

IMPARTIAL.

THE LADY DUFFERIN NURSING FUND.

The Annual General Meeting of the Countess of Dufferin's Fund, Bombay Branch, was held at Government House on Wednesday, Her Excellency Lady Clarke presiding. The following were present:—

H. H. the Hon'ble Sir Sultan Aga Khan, G.C.I.E., Mrs. Muir Mackenzie, Sir Jamsetji Jejeebhoy, Mr. W. D. Sheppard, I.C.S., Mr. W. S. Millard, Mr. Lund, Sir Sassoon David, Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Mr. Moses, Dr. Nariman, the Hon. Mr. Rahimtoola, Mr. Bomanji D. Petit, Mr. N. N. Wadia, Mr. Jehangir Framji, and Rao Saheb Vassanjee Triccumjee.

The accounts having been passed, the meeting proceeded to elect a general Committee and officers. It was decided that the members of the Committee be asked to serve again, only those members who had permanently left Bombay being omitted. Dr. T. B. Nariman and Mr. H. Cogill, were re-elected as Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary.

The resignation of Mr. S. M. Moses, as a Trustee to the Endowment Fund, having been received with regret the vacancy was filled by the nomination of Sir Sassoon David who kindly consented to act.

Dr. Nariman then brought forward a proposal which was seconded by Mrs. Muir Mackenzie: "That ten or more ladies be elected to the Committee, and that these ladies be formed into a sub-committee to be called the Ladies' Sub-Committee." This proposal was carried.

A vote of thanks proposed by Sir Jamsetji Jejeebhoy and seconded by H. H. the Hon'ble Sir Sultan Aga Khan, to Her Excellency for having presided at the meeting, was carried and the proceedings were terminated.

FLORILINE:—For the Teeth and Breath.—A few drops of the liquid Floriline sprinkled on a wet tooth brush produce a pleasant lather which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. "The Fragrant Floriline" being composed in parts of honey and sweet herbs is delicious to the taste and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Of all Chemists and Perfumers. Wholesale Dept., 33 Farringdon Road London, England.

SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY HUNT.

The Meet yesterday morning was held on the flats at Santa Cruz, and it was attended by some fifty or sixty people. The Master moved off with the hounds somewhat earlier than usual, as it had been decided to draw first of all the covert round Sahar Hill, which is some considerable distance away. The Home coverts have hardly ever failed us this season, but the supply of jackals is not exactly inexhaustible, and it is consequently advisable not to visit a covert too frequently. We accordingly started away behind hounds before the dawn had really properly broken. The temperature was pleasantly cool, and a heavy dew was covering the ground, as the conditions were all in favour of a good morning's sport. A certain amount of excitement was caused during the hack to Sahar Hill by the very decided game of romps on the part of a chestnut horse, which had not had over much exercise for the last week or two, but his rider stuck to him in a manner which many of us might well wish to be able to do, and after the horse had quieted down, he was seen going well to the front during the fast hunt which followed. As soon as we had gone round the base of Sahar Hill the hounds at once let us know that a jackal had been spending the night about this neighbourhood. They came out of the wood with great determination and plenty of "music" and tore across the finely banked Bomanwadi Valley, but in their eagerness they overran the scent. The Huntsmen however did not take long to show them the error of their ways, and away they went again over a splendid line of rice fields. Jumping a nullah and a couple of cactus hedges we came upon one of the "choicest" pieces of melon ground to be found in the whole of the island of Salsette. The grass in many parts of this melon bed was very long, and the numerous holes were in consequence almost totally blind. It is nothing short of a mystery how a clever horse will learn to carry one in safety over such atrocious ground, but with that curious see saw kind of movement this unpleasant area was traversed by the whole number of horses without a single disaster being recorded. Having thankfully left this "Bridge of Sighs" behind us we continue over more rice fields, the banks surrounding each and every field being of exceptional size; many of these banks were too high for ponies to jump, and they consequently had to be taken in true Irish fashion by the ponies taking them on and off, though those people who were mounted on big horses were able to fly them, but not without the animals really exerting themselves. Dipping down a deep nullah, and taking a cactus hedge on the far side, we continue over more rice country to the Andheri Road. Often the passing traffic in this road has been the means of causing the hounds some difficulty owing to a jackal, which is an animal of somewhat shy nature, not caring to run past the vehicles in the road, but yesterday morning no such contretemps occurred. Jumping up the stoney bank on to the road, the hounds streak away through a Mango Tope beyond, but many members of the hunt gallop about 30 yards up the road and turn sharp to the right, and fairly race over that magnificent line of paddy fields. known as the Grange Bunds, owing to a bungalow on the road facing straight over this tract of country. Keeping well to the left of the Backwater the chase is carried on with no reduced speed at all up hill and down dale as far as the big hill on the summit of which are situated the caves of Marole. Hounds went straight up this very steep hill, and at first sight it seemed as if the jackal had set his mask for the Goregaon Woods, but when reaching the top of the hill, he turned sharp to the right down the steepest slope of the hill. Hounds could of course follow after him without difficulty, but it was no rosewater fun for the horses, as the loose stones and numerous trees made it no easy matter to descend the hill at all, let alone at any pace. It was maddening to see the pack simply racing away across the valley beneath, whilst we could perforce only slither down the hill at snail's pace. When once on the level ground however the hunt became faster than ever, as hounds had obtained such a long start of many of us, and if we were to see them again it was a question of going absolutely as fast as our good horses could travel All the way through this long valley we gallopped as hard as we could, and crossing the Tulsi Main water pipe, a momentary check occurred in a tank close by. It was only for a very short time, but it was not by any means unwelcome to many of the field, who had been somewhat left behind effecting the descent of Marole Hill, as these people by this slight delay on the part of the hounds were enabled to make up a good deal of the ground they had lost. Continuing further in the direction of Vehar we come to a long hill, which we were able to gallop up at fair speed, as this side of it was not particularly steep, but when on the top of it, the jackal repeats his tactics of Marole Hill, and turns right handed down a slope of the hill, which seemed almost as steep as the side of a house, but fortunately it had no trees, and we could consequently come down it with a little less trouble. Finding a convenient cart track on the flat ground below, we gallop through a long aloe plantation, and out through an iron gate on the Vehar Road, near by the aloe factory and the bridge over the deep stream of water, which anglers state produces some excellent fish during the Monsoon months. Crossing the road the hounds keep up the hunt for a long time in the dense jungle which covers the ground round about the hill with a big signalling station on the top of it, between the Powai and Vehar Lakes. They ran round and round this jungle and twice up to the signalling station, but are unable to bring this magnificent jackal to book. Every effort was made by the Hunt officials to assist them in this difficult task, but without any tangible result. Hindus are accordingly called off, and we return to the Jackal Club, having had as fine a gallop as any of the many good ones we have been treated to this season.

Hounds next meet at Parla on the 19th instant.

JACKAL.

Hounds will meet on the following dates:—

- *January 21st, The White House.
- January 23rd, Jackal Club.
- January 26th, Sahar Hill.
- °January 28th, Irla (Parla Station).
- January 30th, Santa Cruz.
- *February 4th, Sahar Village.
- February 6th, Santa Cruz.
- February 9th, Parla.
- F*ebruary 11th, Irla.
- February 13th, The Kennels.
- February 16th, Sahar Hill.

* Proposed by days but subject to cancellation. Members going out by train are requested to ride to the Meet with as little delay possible.

CRICKET.

EASTERN TELEGRAPH COY. vs. H. M. MINT.

Played on the Oval on Wednesday, January 15, and won by the Eastern Telegraphs by 23 runs. Scores:—

EASTERN TELEGRAPHS.	
Mr A Fernandez c Rickwood b Robinson	0
Mr O Maynard, c and b Lauder	1
Mr Cruz, c Reckwood, b Robinson	11
Mr Camps, b Lauder	9
Mr Continho, c Grose, b Kelly	13
Mr S Phillip b Kelly	1
Mr G Fernandez, l-b-w Kelly	9
Mr Smith, not out	35
Mr A deSouza, c Rickwood, b Lauder	9
Mr F Furnell, s Guldera, b Lauder	1
Mr D'Costa, c Christie, b Lauder	5
Extras	2
Total	96

H. M. MINT.	
Captain Willis, c D'Costa, b Contiuho	0
Mr Rickwood, b Coutinho	1
Mr Guidera, run out	0
Mr Robinson, b Continho	11
Mr Kelly, b Continho	23
Mr Grose, c Contiaho, b Cruz	0
Mr Reuben, c Smith, b Cruz	17
Mr Race, hit wicket b Phillips	5
Mr Lauder, c Campos, b Continho	10
Mr Jamsetji, S Fernandez, b Cruz	0
Mr Christie, not out	6
Extras	0
Total	73

Twenty-four gramophone records, to be used a century hence, by famous living musical artists have been entombed in the crypt of the Paris Opera House. The records were very carefully packed in a copper casket, from which the air was exhausted. The casket was soldered, and placed in another metal box, from which the air was also pumped out. The box was then enclosed in a special receptacle in the wall of the crypt with an inscription requesting that it remain intact for 100 years. The entombed records include operatic arias sung by Tamagno, Caruso, Planoon, Mme. Patti, Mme. Melba, and Mme. Calve, violin solos by Kubelik, and choruses by singers at the Scala Theatre at Milan.

BOMBAY 6TH EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.

HORSES LEFT IN.

After declaration of forfeit at 6 p.m. on Thursday 16th January.

THE SANDOWN PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs. Admiral Crichton, Forfeit, Downfall, Baritone, Sir Galahad, Harpist, Oakton, Rosewater and Lady Metal.

THE CHARNI ROAD PLATE.—Distance 9 furlongs. Antica, Scarlet, Eed, Shells, Gwalior, Recruit, Swordsman, Skylark, Ktushan, Precious, Egypt, Wait-a-While and Spearment.

THE CHURCH GATE PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs. Gold Mint, Herricul, Silverstream, Moscow, Elector, Caravan, Bashoer, Amood, Shanwar, Mudlool, Ashroff and Sir Jamal.

DIVISION OF THE NURSERY PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs. Sher, His Highness, Dardanelles, Young Soocab, Najmi, Golden, Dream, Late Khandalla, Winter, America, Devon, Turkish Flag III, Transfer, Bassam, Maimoon, Fritz, Rising Falcon, Balmoral, Ajeel, Safoog, Riza, Bareed, Wild Poppy, Russam, Esar, Great Power, Vendetta, Jassas, Respectable, Fathahal Kher.

DIVISION OF THE LITTLE NURSERY PLATE—5 furlongs. Astoria, Mountain King, Lenzo, Rome Alli, Lassa, Shirvin, Orby, Gatling, Arab Prince, Disguise, Chasib, Hallo, Hooded Falcon, Late Mabkoot, Mafood, Sir Askar, Holker, Virtuous Bay, Ring leader, Aden, Rajah Bahadur, Good Chance, Sir George, Poter, Trouble, Saraband, Pootas, Far, Mylad, Uganda Disfigure, Special, Good Time, Verify, Viceroy, Print Craft, Monster, Rogers and Clarke.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary,
W. I. T. C.

ALLAHABAD POLO.

The Connell Cup Tournament.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JANUARY 16.

The Semi-Finals for the Connell Cup Polo Tournament was played on Wednesday afternoon. The first match between the 2nd Lancers and the 14th Jat Lancers was a fine game to watch and there was a good exhibition of sound polo. In the end the 2nd Lancers secured a hard-earned victory by three goals to two.

The tie between the Royal Artillery, Lucknow, and the 4th Cavalry was somewhat of a scrambling game, the Cavalry winning by five goals to one. The winners missed a good many chances and hardly played up to their form.

In the evening a very successful dance was given in the Mayo Hall by some ladies.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	4
B Mandvi, Chakla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	14
C Market, Dhobi Talao Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	4	4	28
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	8
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	3	0	25
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	6
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	5
Total	7	4	95
Total plague deaths to date	141,715		
Same date last year	9	6	91

One imported case from Surat.

SMALL-POX.

Attacks.	Death.
2	1

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

The following table shows the results of the rat campaign:—

JANUARY, 14th 1908.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead.	Found Infected.
A	59	59	2
B	92	146	8
C	64	178	14
D	68	70	0
E	177	125	4
F & G	58	6	1
Total to date	518	584	29
Total rats killed		1,102	

The returns of the Mergui Pearl Fisheries show 89 tons of mother-o'-pearl shells exported during 1907, valued at Rs. 91,469, corresponding with 92 tons valued at 95,428 for the previous year. The value of both pearls and shells has increased during that period. It has been probably found that the banks are becoming exhausted, owing to the class of divers deteriorating, though two experts sent out to investigate the pearl banks of the Mergui and Tavoy coasts and to study the life history of the Mergui pearl oysters last year have not yet submitted their Report. The inference appears to be supported by the fact that the shells are now more difficult to obtain, and are less numerous than formerly, but it is believed that the banks will recover their former productiveness.

EPIDEMIC OF RINGWORM.

WHOLE FAMILY CURED BY ZAM-BUK.

We all dread ringworm because it is so obstinate and "catching," so easily communicated and so difficult to cure. Its ravages in the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith of Low Barlings, Langworth, Lincs, affected father and four little ones. Every form of treatment failed, Zam-Buk alone proved successful in stamping out the epidemic. Describing this wonderful cure, Mrs Smith says:—"First Lizzie, who is 14, began to complain and I found a big ringworm was developing. One of the places grew as large as a tea-cup. I never, saw such a place on anyone. Then Father got one in just the same place; Harry who is four years old, followed, and then the two year old girl developed the disease. It was painful to see the poor children suffering. In spite of everything that was done the baby took it as well. I was at my wit's end to know what to do when I chanced to read about Zam-Buk. We applied some right away, rubbing each part gently for a few minutes. The inflamed redness soon went, and in a few days every speck disappeared and there has not been a sign since."

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THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, JANUARY 16.

The area of low pressure over Madras and the Deccan yesterday has disappeared and fairly heavy rain has fallen in Hanumkonda and Coimbatore and light falls are reported from Nellore and Kodaikanal.

The temperature has fallen in the United Provinces and East Central India and is now in large defect, the deficiency being 13° at Nowgong, Lucknow and Agra. The appearance of light clouds and the rise in temperature in East Baluchistan may indicate that the depression from Persia is approaching India, but as yet that is nothing to indicate its being of any importance.

In Burma the skies are clear or only lightly clouded. The moisture in the air is normal or in slight excess and the temperature is normal.

In the north-east of India and Orissa the skies are clear except in Bihar and the Orissa coast. The air is drier and cooler than usual in the Western Districts, while humidity and temperature are nearly normal elsewhere.

In the United Provinces, Central India and the Central Provinces the skies are cloudy in the United Provinces and almost clear elsewhere. The moisture in the air has decreased generally and is still considerably above the average at most stations while the temperature has fallen and is in considerable or large defect, the deficiency amounting to 13° in parts of the United Provinces and East Central India.

In the north-west of India there is very light cloud in Baluchistan and in some stations in the extreme north the skies remain clear, but elsewhere humidity is in general excess except in Baluchistan Hill Districts and Upper India. The temperature has risen in Baluchistan and is in excess there and in Kashmir, but elsewhere it is in moderate to considerable defect.

In the Peninsula, Hanumkonda and Coimbatore report 2 inches of rain, Nellore and Kodaikanal light falls. The skies are lightly to moderately clouded and the moisture in the air is either equal to or above the average except in the north of Bombay and in the Deccan. The temperature is normal or in excess, the excess being most marked in the interior districts.

Forecast.—A few falls of rain are possible in the South of India.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 16TH JANUARY.

Amritsar.—Weather cloudy. Except improvement in crops owing to seasonable weather.

Hansi.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Except improvement in crops owing to seasonable weather. Crop prospects improving.

Delhi.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Agra.—Mornings cold and dewy. Crop prospects improving.

Cawnpore.—Bright, no sign of rain. All crops doing well.

Bewar.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton picking general. Wheat flourishing.

Amraoti.—Fine weather has set in. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Dhulia.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton crop accounts unfavourable. Wheat doing well.

Viramgam.—Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants showing bolls.

Wadhwan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Unusually cool. Cotton plants show bolls rapidly ripening. Cotton crop prospects improving.

Dholera.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants in flower. Cotton prospects improving.

Bhavnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton arriving in small quantities.

Barsi.—Occasionally windy and cloudy, but no rain. Crop accounts less favourable.

Sholapur.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally.

Bellary.—Cloudy, but no rain. Cotton plants show bolls rapidly ripening.

STANDARD BAROMETER READINGS.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32 deg. F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a. m. (local time) on the 16th January was 29·994. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder was 12ft. at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer supposing the reading to be 30·00 and that of attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be 14 and this will be higher or lower by ·01 for each 4 deh. In the case of aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern, either mercurial or aneroid, above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet it will read higher or lower by ·01 for each 11 feet. The readings given above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 16TH JANUARY 1908.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Thursday, the 16th January, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

Punjab.—The sky is heavily overcast at Delhi and free from cloud elsewhere. Humidity is in excess of normal. Wind was blowing from north-westerly direction at Ambala and Delhi while calm was recorded at Rawalpindi, Lahore and Sirsa. Maximum temperature had been from 2° to 13° in defect of normal while the variations of the minimum temperature varied but slightly from normal.

United Provinces.—The sky is overcast at Mainpuri and Allahabad and moderately clouded at Jhansi. The air is slightly drier than usual at Mainpuri and considerably damper elsewhere. Wind was southerly at Allahabad and north-westerly at Agra, while calm was registered at the remaining stations. Weather both during day and night had been as much as from 3° to 24° cooler than usual.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded, while the air has been considerably damper than usual throughout the district. Calms and north-easterly winds prevailed generally. Weather during the day time has been 3° to 17° cooler than usual in these districts. At night, temperature was about normal at Karachi and 6° cooler in Rajputana and at Jacobabad.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear or only lightly clouded while the quantity of moisture in the air has been normal at Veraval, in slight defect at Surat and in moderate or considerable excess elsewhere. Wind was blowing from northerly direction at Bhavnagar Para while calms and north-easterly or south-easterly winds prevailed elsewhere. Temperature both during day and night had been cooler than usual in most places.

Central Provinces.—The sky is overcast or nearly so at Jubbulpore, Saugor and Khandwa, moderately clouded at Akola and althogether free from cloud elsewhere. Humidity is in defect of normal at Chanda, Nagpur, Amraoti, and Akola and generally in excess at the remaining stations. The direction of air movement is northerly or north-westerly at Jubbulpore, Nagpur and Raipur and easterly or north-easterly in most other places. Weather both during day and night had been cooler than usual throughout the district.

Konkan.—Skies are clear or lightly or moderately clouded while humidity is in excess of normal. The direction of air movement is northerly at Karwar and easterly or south-easterly elsewhere. Day temperature has been 1° hotter than usual at Bombay and 1° to 6° cooler in other places. During the night time, temperature was nearly equal to normal at Bombay, 1° warmer at Ratnagiri and 1° to 3° cooler at Karwar.

Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are free from cloud at Malegaon and Belgaum and lightly or moderately clouded elsewhere. The air has become drier than usual at Malegaon and Ahmednagar and more or less damp at the remaining stations. Wind was north-westerly at Ahmednagar while calms and north-easterly or south-easterly breezes prevailed elsewhere. Maximum temperature had been 7° cooler than usual at Hyderabad while the minimum was fairly normal at Bijapur and 1° to 9° warmer elsewhere.

General Remarks.—Moderate to fresh westerly or north-westerly winds are likely to blow along the Konkan Coast.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorologist, Bombay.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

THE ULTRA-TIGHT GOWN.

The tightly-cut princess gowns are growing more and more defined, and really the wonderment is how anyone can stoop or sit down in these up-to-date gowns. The ugly little pleats or folds that were seen at first in the front of these are disappearing, and the seam down the middle also. The necessary fulness is now put into one or two pleats at each side seam, and I am told that soon these will also vanish, and by some clever arrangement in the cut and a certain secret manipulation of the cloth or satin, that the pleats will be rendered quite superfluous. That these princess gowns are very elegant for slim figures is recognized by all, but those who are more generously proportioned need not despair, for if they are correctly corseted they can wear a princess gown. The great thing to be studied is the back view, and if the lines are carried up above the waist-line and left semi-fitting the result will prove very successful. Length of line will be given, and an appearance of additional height will ensure a graceful outline.

PROBLEM OF THE SLEEVE.

What about sleeves? Again and again we are told that the long sleeve is coming in again, and yet all the newest French models are showing not the long sleeve but the so-called elbow-sleeve. Still, there is hope that this will gradually lengthen until the tight-fitting long sleeve will again predominate. Indeed, many of the French sketches are illustrating the long-shirred transparent sleeves, but it is not probable that these will really be actually worn until the early spring, when we are promised a very graceful and novel form of coat to accompany it. Already the Fatma sash is undergoing several alterations, and it is likely ere long, to become so generally patronized and adapted that its reign will be a short one after all; this, unfortunately, is the fate of most innovations that can be utilized as an accessory to a gown.

GREY AND SILVER.

A combination that is particularly successful is grey with silver. A gown recently ordered for a trousseau was extremely elegant. It was a day-dress of palest French grey, made en princesse, and trimmed with quite a dozen rows of narrow silver braid, forming a border round the hem of the skirt, which was edged with a band of grey fox. The corsage was cut down in the form of a V back and front, and filled in with a guimpe of tucked and frilled lace. Around the outline of the V the border of silver braid and fox corresponded with the skirt. The full three-quarter length lace sleeves fell from out the rather wide over-sleeve. A thick rope girdle of silver was hung round the waist, loosely knotted, and fell in long, heavily-tasselled ends to the end of the front. A grey blocked satin hat, with rounded crown and rather narrow, flat brim, had silver cords and tassels, and a group of shaded grey and blue ostrich feathers rather towards the back of the right side.

EVENING COATS.

New and attractive coats for evening wear are making their appearance daily, and whether in embroidered net, velvet, satin, or cloth, they are lovely beyond description. Much velvet is used in the trimming, and sometimes fur supplies a contrasting note, the soft browns of sable, mink, or marten, the white of ermine or fox, the silvery grey of chinchilla, or touches of gleaming gold, silver, or copper being worked into some of the designs. The pastel blues and Copenhagen blues are extremely popular for evening coats, and these colours are most serviceable. The light bronze greens are well liked, and there are lovely evening cloaks in greys, and in champagne or white relieved by touches of vivid colour or of gold. Copper-coloured velvet trimmed with heavy metallic lace of copper tones and in a very dark fur that is almost black is a Parisian idea which is very effective, and there is an exquisite shade of pink, shading into silver, which is also a favourite with the Parisian coat-makers, and is lovely in satin, velvet, crepe, or velvet. Black relieves the latter shade with excellent effect, and it has been successfully combined with embroidries in shaded violets and purples, but such a colour scheme demands unerring colour sense.

THE JAPANESE GRAND EXHIBITION.

The general regulations which have heretofore been adopted for the Grand Exhibition of Japan to be held in Tokyo in 1912 are as follows: (The location of different exhibition buildings and allotment of space, as well as the rules and regulations for exhibits will be communicated as soon as they are finally decided upon.)

The Grand Exhibition of Japan will be opened on the first day of April 1912, and will be closed on the thirty first day of October of that year.

The location of the Exhibition will be the Aoyama Parade Ground in the city of Tokyo, 1st, 2nd and 3rd blocks of Kitamachi, Aoyama of the said city, about three quarters of the Imperial Estate of Yoyogi, Toyotama District, Tokyo Prefecture, and that portion of the lot, connecting the said Parade Ground and the Imperial Estate, along which the formerly called Kobu Railway runs.

The entire site of the Exhibition will comprise about 292 acres (about 350,00 Tsubos).

All foreign Governments and peoples are invited to participate in this exhibition. For the installment of foreign exhibits, belonging to the five different departments of Education, Science, Machinery, Electricity, and Manufactured Goods, space will be allotted in the exhibition buildings erected by the Administration Office of the Grand Exhibition of Japan. For exhibits other than those above designated, any nation may erect a separate building at its own expense. No charge will be made for space allotted for such building.

Any nation may, if it so desires, exhibit articles belonging to the aforesaid five departments and also other articles not coming under these headings in the building erected by such nation at its own expense. No charge will be made for space allotted for such building.

All articles which shall be imported from foreign countries for the sole purpose of exhibition, and not used for commercial purposes in this country, and all materials for the buildings of foreign Governments, or special exhibition buildings and decorations thereof, will be admitted free of duty. It is proposed to make a special arrangement concerning articles which shall be imported from foreign countries for sale at bazaars, or things intended for amusement and shows which are liable to customs duty, and a bill to that effect will be introduced in the next session of the Diet.

It is also intended to afford special protection to all inventions, designs, models of utility and trade marks of foreign exhibits and a bill to that effect will be introduced in the next session of the Diet.

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BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Bombay "Government Gazette" January 16.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Hormasji Jamshedji Antia was substantive pro-tem Fourth Grade Deputy Asst Political Agent from the 19th July to the date of his confirmation in that grade, viz. 18th Sept.

Mr Govardhan Mavji was substantive pro tem Fifth Grade Deputy Asst Political Agent from the 19th July to the date of his relief by Mr H N Gosalia, viz 19th November.

Mr Narbheram Jamietram to be substantive pro-tem Fourth Grade Deputy Asst Political Agent vice Mr Hormasji Jamshedji Antia on deputation, pending further orders.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr Ambalal Madhavlal Lakhia, Mamlatdar, taluka Dohad, and Magistrate of the Second Class in the dist of Panch Mahals, is invested with power to try cases under the Opium Act I of 1878.

Mr Ramchandra Vishnu Bakare, Mamlatdar and Magte, Second Class Haliyal in the dist of Kanara is invested with Power to commit for trial.

Mr Mahadev Ramchandra Chaubal, B A, LL B, passed on the 17th December an examination in Gujarati according to the Higher Standard.

Mr Gurbamal Manghirsing, Registrar of the Court of Small Causes, Karachi, is granted privilege leave for two months and thirteen days from the 3rd February with permission to affix the Easter Holidays to his leave.

Mr Chunilal Harilal Setalvad, Acting Third Presidency Magte, Bombay, to exercise the powers which may be conferred on Presidency Magtes other than the Chief Presidency Magte under section 202 (1) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898.

Mr K C Rushton to be Supdt of Police, Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway, vice Mr W M F Clarke proceeding on leave.

Mr. Govind Jayarm Ghatpande, residing at Junnar, is appointed, with effect from the 1st February to be a Conciliator under the Dekhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, 1879, within the limits of the Junnar Taluka in the Poona District vice Mr. Balkrishna Daji Udas, resigned.

Mr. Yeshvantrav Mbasaji Patil residing at Balam Takli. is appointed, with effect from the 1st February to be a Village Munsif under the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, 1879, for the villages of Balam Takli, Bodhegaen, Bhadgawan, Shekti Sukli and Murmi in the Shevgaon Taluka of the Ahmednagar District.

BY HIS MAJESTY'S HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE.

The District Judge of Nasik has granted Mr. G. L. Nanavati, First Class Subordnate Judge of Nasik, privilege leave for twenty-three days from the 3rd January.

Mr. Muhammad Yonnus Ghulam Husain Haircdaday, B.A., LL.B., is admitted as a Vakil of the High Court.

Mr. Abdul Karim Khan, Mamlatdar of Chiplun in the Ratnagiri District, has been granted such privilege leave as may be due to him on the date of his relief together with sick leave on medical certificate for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to six months.

Mr. Narayen Ganesh Nadgir, Mamlatdar on leave, is appointed to be Mamlatdar of Chiplun with First Class Magisterial allowance.

BY THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS SALTE OPIUM AND ABKARI.

The following probationers passed the Salt Departmental Examination held at Matunga on the 11th, 12th and 13th November. The names are arranged in order of merit:—Messrs J. L. Dias, Clerk, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Salt Opium and Abkari. Vishveshwar Anandrao Acharya, Clerk, Chief Account Office. Dwarkanath Krishnarao Tipnis, Clerk, Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari Maganlal Itchharam Desai, Clerk, Chief Account office Shankar Waman Barwe, Karkun, Bhayandar Preventive Station Sadashiv Shridhar Mondkar. Clerk. Chief Account Office. Bhiku Laxman Dalvi, Weigh Clerk, Bassein. Shankar Bhaskar Karmarkar, Weigh Clerk Ghodbandar. Ramkrishna Raghunath G dbole, Clerk, Chief Account Office. Dattatraya Govind Kane, Weigh Clerk, Ghodbandar. Govind Yeshwant Nimkar, Clerk, Chief Account Office. Mir Amjud Alli, Daroga, Shewa Markandrai Yeshwantrai Dave. Clerk, Ghief Account Office.

BY THE SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.,

Lieutenant-Colonel R. J. Baker, I. M. S., and Captain W. O'S Murphy, I M S, respectively delivered over and received charge of the office of the Deputy Sanitary Commissioner. Sind Registration District, on 23rd December.

Vishnu Balwant, Second Grade Local Fund Vaccinator Shalapur S. D. Taluka, Thana Zilla, was granted privilege leave from 15th September to 14th December inclusive, and Ramchandra Bhau, Candidate Vaccinator, Thana Zilla S. D. was appointed to act for him.

Candidate Shanker Wasudeo was appointed acting Candidate Vaccinator, Thana Zilla, S. D. from 4th to 11th December inclusive.

The privilege leave granted to Bundo Govind, Second Grade Local Fund Vaccinator, Karmala Taluka, Sholapur Zilla, in Notification No. 348 of 21st October was extended to 10th December inclusive.

Narso Shriniwas, Second Grade Local Fund Vaccinator, Bankapur Taluka, Dharwar Zilla, is appointed Municipal Vaccinator, Dharwar Town, with effect from 16th December

Bhimaji Narsinha, Municipal Vaccinator, Dharwar Town, is appointed Second Grade Local Fund Vaccinator, Bankapur Taluka, Dharwar Zilla, with effect from 11th December.

Kashinath Shesho, Candidate Vaccinator, Dharwar Zilla, was appointed acting Municipal Vaccinator, Dharwar Town, from 3rd to 15th December inclusive.

Shaik Hussein valad Shaik Ibrahim, Third Grade Local Fund Vaccinator, Honore Taluka, Kanara Zilla, was granted privilege leave from 21st November to 20th December inclusive, and Ambroj Lima, Candidate Vaccinator No. I, Kanara Zilla, was appointed to act for him.

Gundo Hari, Third Grade Local Fund Vaccinator, Chandgad Mahal, Belgaum Zilla, was granted privilage leave from 5th October to 4th December inclusive, and Ganesh Basker Jogleker, acting Candidate Vaccinator, Belgaum Zilla, was appointed to act for him.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Edalji Behramshah Hodivala to be President of the Taluka Local Boards of Viramgam, Dhandhuka and Gogha in the Ahmedabad District vice Mr. Gopalji Gulabbhai Desai, resigned.

Mr. Gopalshankar Venishankar Bhachech is appointed to be a nominated member of the District Local Board of Ahmedabad vice Mr. Gopalji Gulabbhai Desai, resigned.

Mr. Edalji Byramsha Hodiwalla is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Boards of Viramgam, Dhandhuka and Gogha in the Ahmedabad District vice Mr. Gopalji Gulabbhai, Desai, resigned,

Mr. Ramchandra Vishnu Kerhalkar, Head Karkun, is nominated a member of the Taluka Local Board of Kopargaon in the Ahmednagar District vice Mr Hari Babaji Paithankar, resigned.

At their General Meeting held on 6th January the District Local Board, Sholapur, elected Mr. Ramkisan Hanmandas Singi as Vice-President for the triennial term commencing from 1st of November.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, Jan. 17.

385 CORPS PARADE INSPECTION.

The Corps will parade at the B V A Club at 4-45 p m on Saturday the 18th instant and proceed to Middle Ground, Fort, for the Inspection by the Inspector General of Volunteers in India at 1" Aiming Rifle Practice.

Dress Khaki and caps.

387 REGTL. MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Regimental Committee at the B V A Club on Monday next the 20th instant at 6-15 p m:—Business to arrange Camp.

388 RANGE.

The British Infantry Range at Colaba will be available for Class Firing and Spoon Competitions on Sunday next the 19th instant Firing to Commence at 9 a m.

389 E. E. CO. INSPECTION.

The E E Coy will parade at 6 30 p m on Monday the 20th inst. and proceed to Oyster Rock for the Annual Technical Inspection by the Inspector of Sub-marine Defences in India.

All members "must" attend the Inspection in order to become efficient for the year.

R. W. FISHER, Lieut.,
Adjt., B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, Jan 17.

34 Detail for the week ending Saturday the 18th instant.

Friday the 17th—All Recruits of the current season will parade at Head-Quarters at 7 p m.

35 Class Firing—Sunday the 19—The Rifle Range at Ghatkopar will be available for class firing

Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 a m.

A L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt., B. V. R.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.
SQUADRON ORDERS.

Bombay, Jan. 16.

1 There will be a parade at the Riding School on Tuesday the 21st Instant at 7-30 a m.

Dress—Drill Order Khaki.

2 There will be a drill at Santa Cruz for members residing in that neighbourhood on Wednesday the 22nd Instant at 7 a. m.

Dress—Drill Order, Khaki.

3 The following promotions are sanctioned:—

Corporal H Stanley Reid to be Sergeant.

Troopers P Clare and W F Rutherford, to be Lce Corporals to complete establishment.

T. W CUFFE, Major.,
Comdg. B. L. H.

BY THE WAY.

JOHN NEWTON'S OLD CHURCH.

St. Mary Woolnoth, where the centenary of the grim old Calvinist rector has just been commemorated, was rescued from threatened demolition a few years ago through the exertions of the late Mr. H. C. Richards, K. C. This is not one of Wren's churches, but was rebuilt by his "domestic clerk" and assistant, Nicholas Hawksmoor, in the eighteenth century. The interior was ruthlessly "restored" about thirty years since, and much fine woodwork disappeared during the process, There is a monument to John Newton, "once an infidel and libertine"; but his remains were removed to Olney when the present Bank Station was constructed.

THE MOLTKES.

Count Kuno von Moltke is sometimes confused even in Germany with his very distant relative the distinguished Chief of the General Staff of the Prussian army, General Helmuth von Moltke. Not that the relationship of all the Moltkes, a far-scattered race of soldiers and statesmen, is as impalbable as that of, say, our Joneses, for all the living members of the German von Moltkes can trace their origin to one Gebhard von Moltke, who died in 1563 at Stridfeld, near Tessin, in Mecklenburg, and they, with some branches now extinct, spring from that Sir Mathew whose name occurs in records between 1220 and 1224. Stridfeld is their ancestral home, and it remained in the family for 500 years, through 16 generations, till 1781. They came as conquerors with Henry the Lion of Bavaria when, in the twelfth century, he snatched what is now Mecklenburg from the heathen tribe of the Obotrites; and though some of them founded powerful families in Denmark and in Sweden, it is with Mecklenburg that they were and are chiefly associated.

THE BEGINNING OF THE FAMILY.

It was in Parchim, in Mecklenburg, that the great general von Moltke, "the Great Silent One" (der Grosze Schweiger), was born, though it is true his penurious father was an officer in Danish pay and that he himself was trained as a soldier in Copenhagen till his coming of age; and it was in Mecklenburg that he bought his entailed estate of Kreisan to sustain his new dignity of Count. He died childless, and General Helmuth von Moltke is his nephew. Count Kuno von Moltke, on the other hand, belongs to a side line which branched off in the seventeenth century from the family to which the great General belonged. There is another Count von Moltke, head of the Reventlow branch, in Copenhagen.

THE BRIGHTON ROAD.

The news that Mr. Alfred Vanderbilt, the millionaire horsebreeder, intends next summer to revive the old coaching glories of the Brighton Road will be received with interest by the many lovers of this historic highway It was, of course, the Fourth George, in and before his Regency days, who first gave both fashion and fame to the Brighton Road, and incidentally made it the greatest sporting highway in England. Perhaps his best record (one of many) was that in 1784, when he drove from London to Brigton in four and a half hours, with three horses harnessed tandem, in a phaeton. Sir John Lade, George Hanger, and other cronies of the Prince performed equally creditable feats with the whip; but all their records were eclipsed in 1888 when Selby, the famous whip, drove to Brighton and back in eight hours, a wonderful piece of work, and one which Mr. Vanderbilt will find it difficult to beat, as he hopes to do.

"BOLD ADVERTISEMENT."

The Rickmansworth corn merchant who "utilises a diminutive Shetland pony" as a window-decoration and advertisement must, we fear, yield the palm of originality to that tailor of Boston, in Lincolnshire, who, a little time ago, installed ten large tortoises in his shop-window. Each tortoise had one letter of the tailor's name printed on its back; and a prize was offered to anyone who should see the tortoises arrange themselves in the exact order necessary to spell the name An Islington furniture dealer was responsible for a still more striking advertisement when he induced a newly wedded couple to partake of a sumptuous wedding-breakfast in his shop-window, much to the enjoyment of a dense crowd of sightseers. Perhaps the most effective use of animals as advertising agents was that devised by an enterprising American firm of sausage-makers, who had a number of abnormally fat porkers driven daily through the streets of Chicago, each animal proclaiming on its plump sides: "Blank and Dash's sausages are the best. "We" can guarantee them!"

"MY FOND BROTHER'S SEVEN ISSUES."

Here is a moving appeal: Most honoured Sir,—Understanding that there are several hands wanting in your honour's department, I beg to offer my hand as to adjustment. I appeared for the Matric examination in Ooty, but failed, the reason for which I shall describe to begin with, my writing was illegible this was due to climatic reason, for having come from a warm to a cold climate I found my fingers stiff and very disobedient to my wishes. Father [further] I had received great shock to my mental system in the shape of the death of my only fond brother Mr.——besides honoured Sir, I beg to state that I am in very uncomfortable circumstances being the sole means of support of my fond brother's seven issues consisting of three Adults and four adultresses, the latter being bain of my existence owing to my having to support two of my own wives as well as their issues, of which by God's misfortune the feminine gender predominates If by wonderful good forture the few humble lines meet with your benign kindness and favourable turn of mind, I the poor menial shall ever pray for the long life and prosperity of yourself as well as your honour's postumous olive branches. It is not everybody who could tell off-hand what is the feminine of adult!

NAPOLEON III. AND JAMES II.

It was observed the other day in a London newspaper, apparently with and odd kind of meaningless pride, that the widow of Napoleon III. is spoken of still at the English Court as "Her Imperial Majesty the Empress Eugenie." Yes, however, the title does not imply any pretension on Eugenie's part to the French throne—for that she had not even when she had a place upon the throne as her husband's wife,—it is not used at the English Court in defiance or derogation of the Republic. It was otherwise with the title of "King of Great Britain and Ireland" given by the French to James II. until his death in 1701, and afterwards to his son. When James II. died the question arose before the French Council whether the boy should be recognised at once and proclaimed as British King. Louis XIV, snapping his fingers at the Peace of Ryswick, declared, "Yes; it could never be impolitic to be a gentleman." "What!" exclaimed his more prudent councellors, "proclaim upon French soil and Englishman who describes himself as "King of France"! The little Stuart boy, knowing well what the effect of his renunciation would be in England, urged that it was not in his power to surrender any clause of his hereditary title—"King of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland," The politest King in Europe and the Dauphin out-vied one another in generosity, carried the majority of the Royal Council with them, and proclaimed the twelve-year-old Pretender by all his titles—"the King of France" not more empty, as it proved, than the rest.

"THE ONLY WAY".

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CLOWNS.

THERE is an old story from Italy, harlequin's own land, which represents a doctor prescribing for a case of hypochondria. "You must seek recreation," says he to his patient. "You must look abroad, and be amused You must shake off these brain-sick fancies. You must divert your mind. You must positively put away your cares, Go and see Scaramuccia." To which the patient makes rueful reply, "Alas! I am Scaramuccia!" In course of time this same tale came to be told of Grimaldi, and when we are a bit older, no doubt some rash speculator in anecdote—the breed abounds in theatrical clubland—will tell it of Harry Payne, or Whimsical Walker, or Marceline, or Little Sandy, or, perhaps (and why not?), of Giovanelli, the Clapham clown, who, at the Shakespeare Theatre, is going to present a harlequinade of the "real old-fashioned full-flavoured" sort, well, the story is true of any clown, when we take it to mean that his state is not necessarily a happy one, because he chances to deal in happiness—because he is a personality of "merry Christmas" time, and the jolliest of jolly dogs on the Christmas stage. The clown off the stage is generally one of the most melancholy of men—and because he has particular good reason for being so. The glory of the clown is short-lived. He is the darling of the kids for three months only, often two, in the year. He is a big somebody from Boxing Day until Lady Day; for the rest of the year he is a small nobody. Next to a Lord Mayor going home to his desirable family residence after a year of magnificence at the Mansion House, there can surely be no sadder man than a clown going back to his lodgings on the last night of the pantomime The clown's case is the worse of the two, because he knows that this is not the last time he will have to tumble from popularity to obscurity. There is next year. For the Lord Mayor there is only one 10th of November.

JOEY'S HUMOUR.

Joey's humour is a very serious business—to Joey. (The cynic will go further; but the cynic, at this time of the year, doesn't count). He has to make laughter, does the clown, by what he brings about in the way of situation. He is given nothing funny to say, for no one ever writes a harlequinade. The sole standard dialogue of the harlequinade consists of, "Here we are again!" and any one can say that without risking being laughed at. It is almost as melancholy as the observation. "Here we are 'not' again," which the poor clown has to sigh to himself, as he rubs the paint off his face on the last night of the show. The clown's rehearsal of his harlequinade is an anxious, confusing, eleventh-hour business, for the stage is nearly always wanted at all possible hours for the rehearsals of the principal entertainment. Granted that the show itself, when publicly presented, is a confusing, eleventh-hour—frequently a twelfth-hour—business, there must be a certain amount of order about it for all that, and every person concerned in it must be drilled up to the particular requirements of the moment. The nurse who wheels on the inflated bladder baby in a "pram" has her exits and her entrances; so has the pork butcher, whose festoons of sausages play so important a part in the clown's great comedy of misdemeanour; so has the policeman—particularly his exits, assisted usually by Joey's quick firing tricks with sawdust-and-calico vegetables. It may appear to some that the actors in the harlequinade "make it up as they go along." This is far from being the case, as everyone knows who has seen the clown and his company at work during the odd scraps of time left over from the stage-manager's rehearsals of the Grand Spectacular Variety Nursery Story, which custom calls a pantomime.

DISTINGUISHED COLUMBINES.

A few years ago the part of columbine all at once became the property, for the time being, of certain of our leading actresses—to wit, Miss Nina Boucicault, Miss Violet Vanbrugh, and Mrs. Brown-Potter. Their appearance in the skirt of the columbine made no difference to the ladies who regularly appeared in it at Christmas time; they took no bread from pantomime mouths, for they were not the columbines, say, of Drury Lane, the Hammersmith King's, or the Clapham Shakespeare. But they played columbine all the same, and played it remarkably well. First there was Miss Nina Boucicault, who acted so prettily as the circus columbine in "The New Clown," the farce in which Mr. James Welch made his first success as a London actor-manager.

"He (James Welch) was a Punchinello—
Sweet Columbine was she (Miss Nina Boucicault);
He loved the ground she danced on;
She laughed his love to see."

Though, in the end (for a columbine is nothing if she does not turn first this way, and then the other) she fell in love with him (in the story), "and they were married." After that came Miss Violet Vanbrugh's columbine in Gilbert's piece at the Garrick, "The Fairy's Dilemma." It was a full-page fashion plate sort of a columbine, not a bit like the real thing, and not intended to be—for it was a columbine with witty things to say, and, moreover, the skirts, when in repose, were ankle-length. Thirdly and lastly, there was Mrs. Brown-Potter's columbine, in Mr. Charles Brookfield's dramatic version of Leoncavallo's opera, "Pagliacci;" and it turned out that the American actress wore her "well-off-the-ground" skirt with grace, ease, and even dignity, and that her columbine in that stirring little tragedy was one of her best performances.

MISS SYBIL ARUNDALE.

A Pantomime engagement of unusual interest is that of Miss Sybil Arundale for "Robinson Crusoe's" Pretty Polly (not meaning the historic parrot) at the Lyceum Theatre. With all due and proper respect for "principal girls" in general, it is something quite out of the common for the leading petticoat of pantomime to be represented by a lady so accomplished as Miss Arundale, and her promised appearance at the Lyceum is best proof of the sincerity of the directors' wish, to make quality the dominating characteristic of their Christmas entertainment Miss Sybil Arundale has experienced one of the hardest and most complete of lighter stage trainings, having started in child parts at Drury Lane when she was seven, and worked unceasingly at the various branches of her talent ever since. She studied dancing for many years under Signor Vincenti and other famous masters connected with the Empire, when she appeared eventually as the Compere in two "revues, Rogues and Vagabonds and Venus" 1906; and so great was the opinion expressed of her dancing by Signor Rossi of the Alhambra that he wanted her to "star" in a long tour on the Continent, But it was never Miss Arundale's ambition to be a dancer only, and although Signor Rossi's offer was decidedly attractive, she preferred to remain in England for a course of voice-training under Madame Rose Hersee and to finish her stage education (if such a thing can be finished) under Mr. Hermann Vezin. Although Miss Sybil Arundale has played leading parts at Daly's and the Gaiety—her performance in "The Cingalee at the former house will ever be gratefully remembered by the public—she is not "passionately fond of motoring," She does not possess a motor-car, and she does not sit in motor-cars to be photographed. And Miss Arundale is unique, or almost, in connection with another branch of sport. She rides out on her cob unattended. It is, of course, a common thing to see a lady riding by herself in the country, but in London the sight is so rare that strangers beholding the young actress in the saddle instinctively look back along the street to see where the groom has got to.

ARISTOCRATIC ACTORS.

Amateur theatricals have been more than ever "the rage" in Society this Christmas. From many country houses come reports of elaborate preparations for Yuletide plays, pantomimes, masques, charades, tableaux, etc, and the London wigmakers and costumiers are hard at work supplying the requirements of hundreds of blue-blooded histrions. A favourite Christmas piece for Society amateurs is "A Pantomime Rehearsal." This gives a delightful opportunity to elegant young ladies to appear in abbreviated skirts, while for the benefit of "my lord" a harlequinade is frequently added in order that his lordship may appear jovially rediculous as clown or pantaloon. The late Lord Anglesey was not the only young lord of his type who has entertained Society in Christmas pantomimes in the Theatre Royal Back Drawing Room The Earls of Suffolk and Yarmouth, Lord Rosslyn, Lord Yarborough—to mention a few offhand—are examples of peers who have often revelled in this form of amusement. Quite an imposing list might be given of amateur actors and actresses in high Society, many of them exceedingly clever players, too,

A FAIRY PALACE.

Few women present such picturesque and striking contrasts as does the Duchess of Marlborough. At Blenheim, before her separation from her husband last year, she lived in almost mediæval state, with a Nubian page to walk behind her as she trod the scented paths of her wonderful American garden, the chief feature of which is the bower, a long narrow tunnel arched with honeysuckle, clematis, and [illegible] over in old-fashioned style [illegible] roses. She dressed famous Van[illegible], and amongst her jewels are the [illegible] pearls which once belonged to the Empress Catherine of Russia. Meal-time at Blenheim was an affair of state, and her guests walked in to dinner between two long lines of powdered servants.

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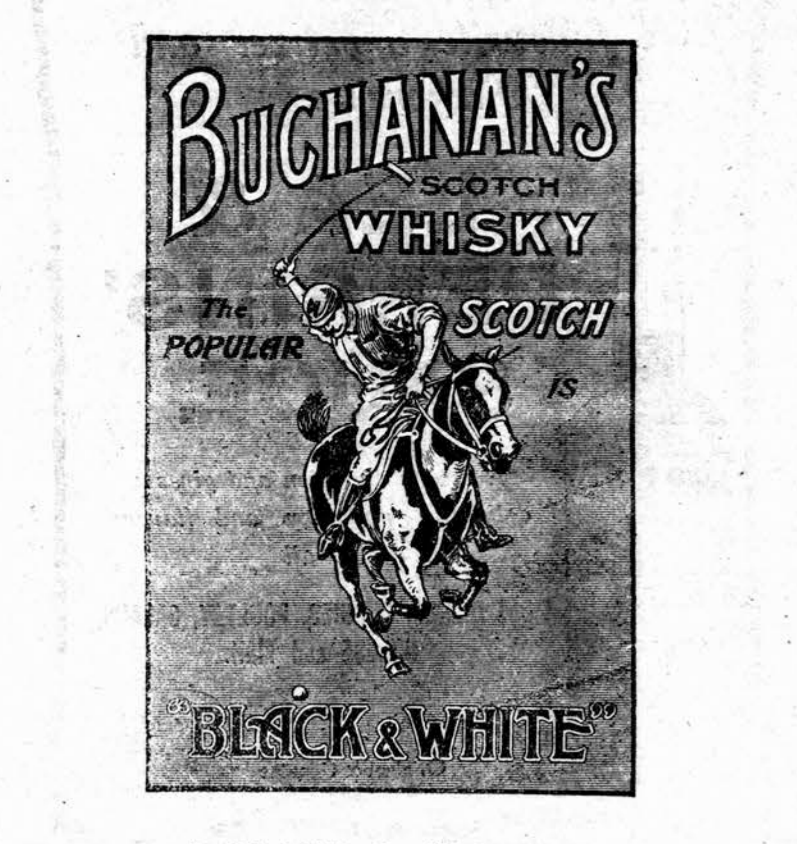

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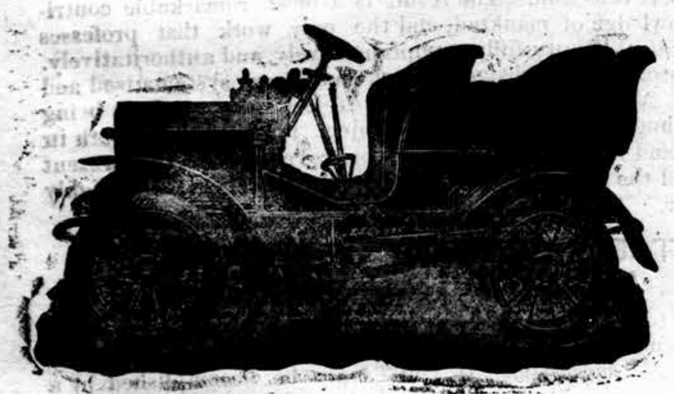

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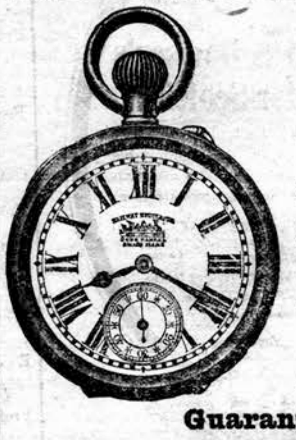

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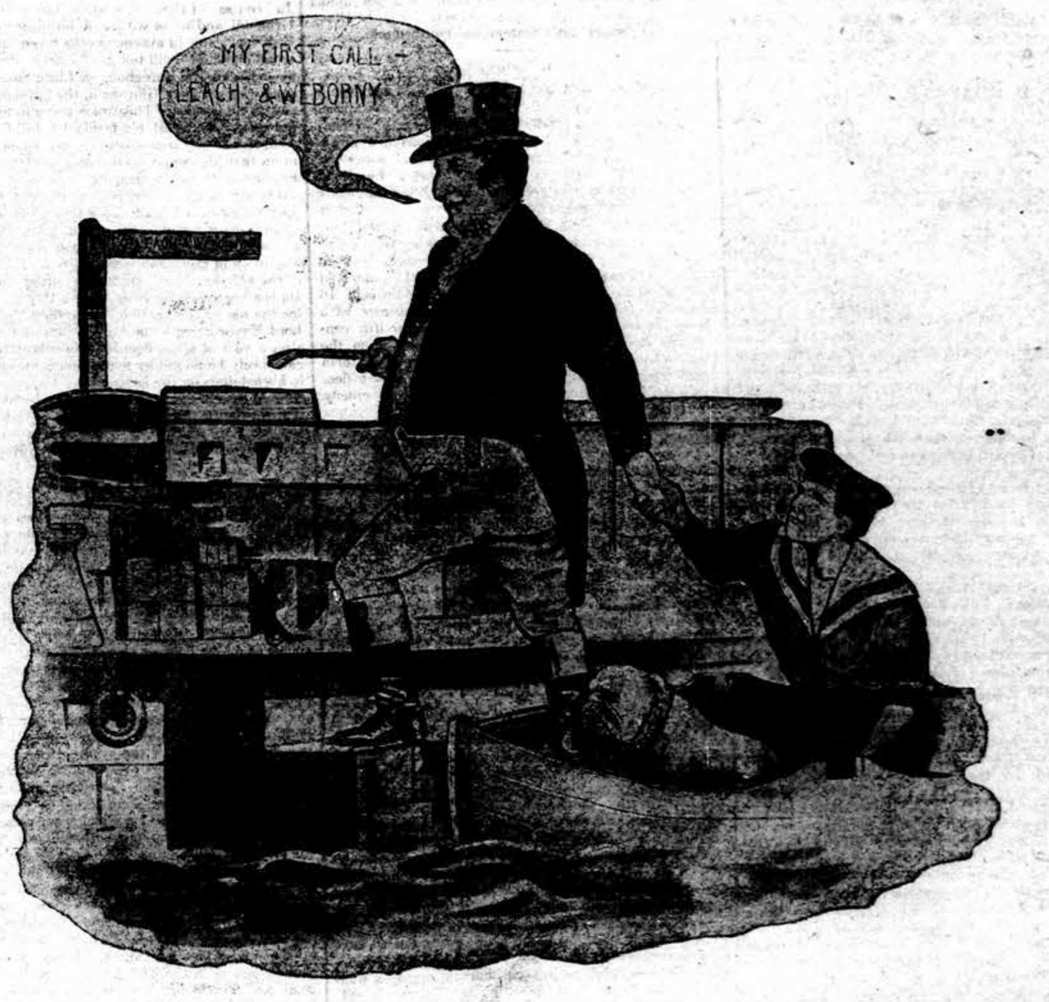
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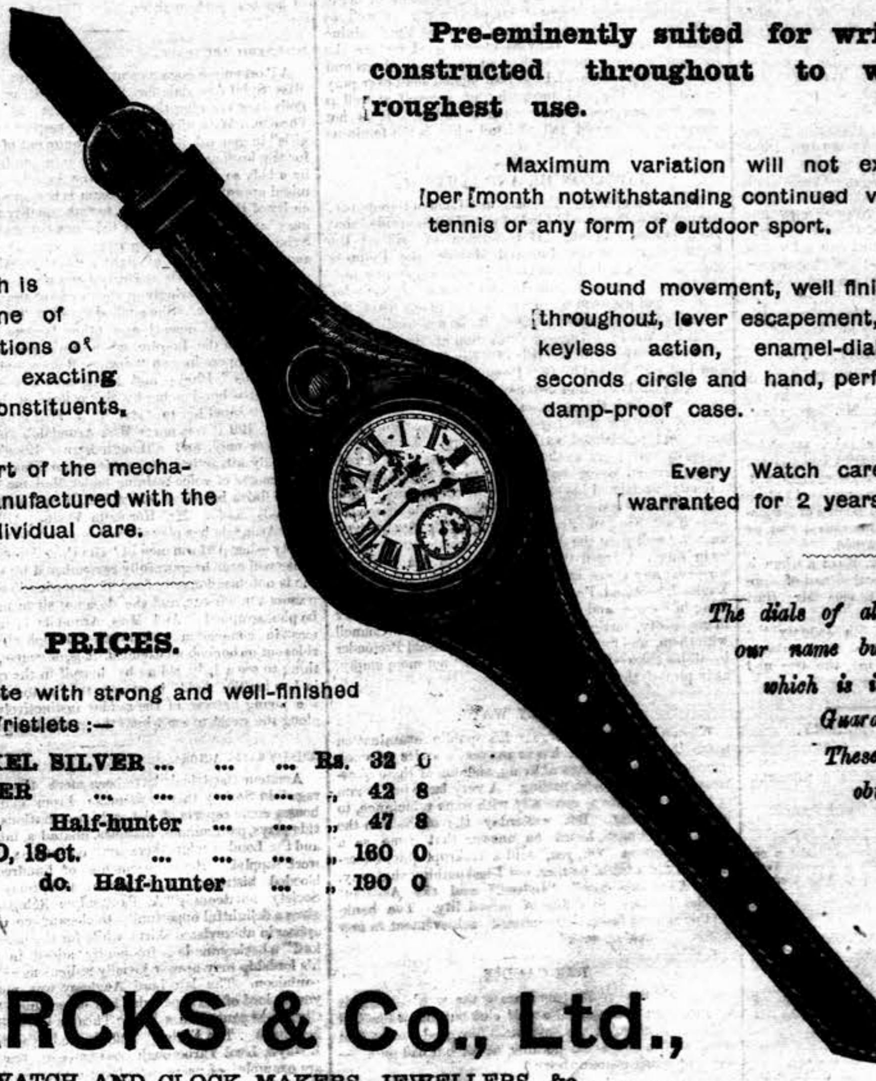

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